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By ELIZABETH W. BELLAMY,

(CHARLES [illegible])

Author of "Four Oaks," "Little Joan," etc.

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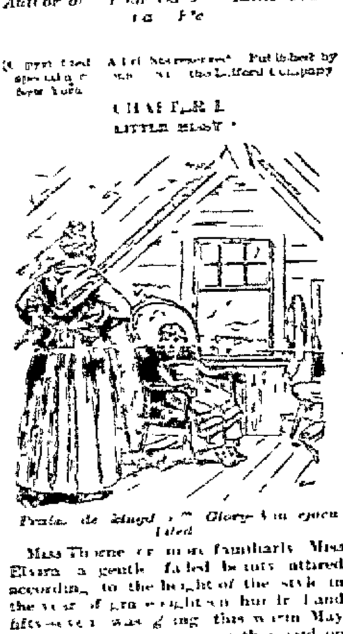
CHAPTER I.

LITTLE MISSY.



"Praise de Lawd!" Glory Ann ejaculated.

Miss Thorne, or more familiarly Miss Elvira, a gentle faded beauty, attired according to the height of the style in the year of grace eighteen hundred and fifty-seven, was going this warm May morning up to town, as they said on the plantations around Tallahassee in the days before the war, and the entire domestic retinue of Thorne Hill were assembled to speed her departure. Her brother the colonel had preceded her on horseback, for he was a man of too many inches to endure a carriage in a drive of [illegible] miles. It may have been because of the extra inches that he was [illegible]

The [illegible] Miss Winifred [illegible] left at home in charge of Glory Ann, the old family nurse, whose name Miss Winifred had transformed into Mom Bee.

[illegible]

The [illegible] had had a third story [illegible] high peaked dormers [illegible]. The stair landing divided this story into two long rooms, which were used chiefly for storing odds and ends. In the cool north room was Winifred's chosen den, and [illegible] discarded arm chair beside the [illegible] Glory Ann found her.

[illegible]

"I'm tired o' [illegible] plantation," Missy declared [illegible]. "I want to go ever an ever so far away." This was the burden of the young lady's lament [illegible] her aunt went up to town without her.

"You'd be [illegible] a mighty hoam ter git back," said Glory Ann. [illegible]

"I ain't," retorted Missy indignantly, as she tugged [illegible]

"Den hukkom you don't never do it?" demanded Glory Ann with sly humor.

To this thrust Missy made no reply, and the old nurse began anew to exhort her to "mind her book." "Do, now, Missy, [be] a good chile, jes' as Missie virey say so! an I'm gwan mek de nicest [illegible] ginger pone, tubbe sho'."

Tempted by this prospect, Missy slowly rose, and clasping her small sun browned hands on the top of her head, stood contemplating with lazy indifference her old nurse's [illegible] achievement of the perpendicular. When at last Mom Bee with a grunt of thanksgiving stood upon her feet Missy's eyes had found an attraction in the Home Field beyond the garden fence, where the corn in the furrows was making a promising show of green. In an instant her languor and indifference vanished.

"[illegible]!" she cried excitedly. "There's Daddy Gilbert in the Home Field; you reckon he's goin to the branch?"

"Jes lisn at dat now!" said Glory Ann in a discouraged tone. "Why ain't you mindin yo' book, stidder studyin dat ol nigger's cons?"

"I'm a goin with him!" Missy announced as she rushed from the room, and went tearing downstairs deaf to all remonstrance.

"Jes look at her now!" lamented Glory Ann as the child slipped through a gap in the garden paling, and made wild haste across the furrows, reckless of damage to the growing corn. "She is jes as heady as Mawse Nick hisself, an mawster ain' got no room ter complain when his chil'en tek dey own way, dey is made atter his own petteran plum!"

"I'm a goin' with you!" panted Missy, as soon as she was within hearing distance of her father's much indulged old slave, who, being slightly lame, and duly considerate of the corn crop, was making his way leisurely.

"Mawster above!" exclaimed the old man, with a grin that displayed his big white teeth. "Here you come tromplin' de cawn, lak so much pusley, an gittin yo' skin tanned up. Why n't you satisfied ter set in de gret house, lak de lady you wuz bawn?"

"I want to go wid him," said Missy.

"I ain't gwan ter no branch," said old Gilbert with decision, and before the child could recover from the surprise of her disappointment he asked with pathetic eagerness, "Is mawster hearn fum Mawse Nick lately ez you knows of?"

"There, now!" cried Missy angrily. "I was just forgettin' 'bout Brer Nicholas! I ain't come out here for you to talk to me 'bout Brer Nicholas; it makes me all—swelled—just here." And Missy, with her slender hands across her heart, began to sob.

"Now, now, Honey, doan you go cry," old Gilbert remonstrated. "Mawse Nicholas gwan come home one o' dese days." But the old man sighed. He was not so sure of his prophecy himself.

"I want him today! I want him now!" sobbed Missy. "I do believe it'll be a whole everlastin' year befo' I see Brer Nicholas any mo', and me with no brother and no sister, 'ceptin' only him."

"Mawster drore do reins too tight," murmured old Gilbert, communing with himself. "Hukkom he kin be so hard on his own flesh en blood en so easy wid dis yo no count ole nigger?"

His no countness was a point much [illegible] Daddy Gilbert, who [illegible] as a means of [illegible] him an immunity from any regular work.

"I don't see as you're so no count," Missy retorted. "You can do mo' work than Uncle Quash and Griffin Jim. They [illegible] baskets [illegible]"

The old man chuckled with gratified vanity.

"And I am goin with you—no matter if you ain't goin to the branch," she declared.

"[illegible] go 'long o' me, Missy," said old Gilbert uneasily. "Hit's too fur. [illegible] tote [illegible] back ter de gret house."

"I'm tired of the house," Missy said, beginning to cry afresh.

"[illegible] dat a pity," exclaimed old Gilbert impatiently. "I'm s'prised at [illegible] Ann lettin' you run loose in dish [illegible] Missy. [illegible] gwan [illegible] you a Molly cotton tail [illegible]"

Missy paused, glowering from under her [illegible]. The house had no attractions [illegible] the sun was shining, warm and bright, and the woods were [illegible]. But suddenly [illegible] Missy was inspired with a brilliant purpose. She perceived that it might be possible to steal [illegible]

[illegible] Glory Ann's [illegible] of superiority that rendered Flora Thorne, the colonel's beautiful niece, so obnoxious to her little cousin. Missy had heard, a few days before, that Dosia was not in Tallahassee. It therefore occurred to her that she might be found with the carpenter's family, who inhabited the sorry little house at the bend of the Thorne Hill road. With the colonel and Miss Elvira on the [illegible] Missy decided [illegible] to steal off for an [illegible] risk of discovery. [illegible] when she abruptly changed her course and began [illegible] across the field in the direction of the road.

But just as she took this turn old Gilbert [illegible] and he [illegible] purpose.

"[illegible] Go back to de gret house! You got no call [illegible] po' white trash! De Thornes is quality, dey ain' got no [illegible] wid de Furnivals."

"[illegible]" cried Missy.

"I'm gwan [illegible] mawster's [illegible] Furnivals," said old Gilbert unmoved. "[illegible] back ter de gret house, else I gwan tell [illegible]"

Missy, after a few irresolute moments, [illegible] went resignedly back to the gap in the garden paling, slipped through, and confronted Glory Ann [illegible]

Glory Ann was seated in a low splint bottomed chair with a broad, smooth board across her knees and a penknife in her right hand. She was making ready to crimp Miss Elvira's ruffled [illegible] the apron from the basket and looked over her spectacles with an air of grave rebuke at the flushed face of the child coming up the steps.

"I'm bound you ain made nothin by yo trip but two shoefuls o' sand," she said severely.

For answer, Missy sat down on the floor, threw her bonnet into a corner, and pulling off her shoes emptied two little piles of sand at Glory Ann's feet.

"You gwan 'pent of all dis trapesin fo de brilin' sun one o' dese days," Glory Ann proceeded remorselessly. "De way you goes on is enough ter set dem freckles fur ever n' ever."

Missy put up her little sunburned hand and meditatively rubbed her cheek. "My cousin Flora has got freckles—some [illegible]"

"[illegible]!" retorted Glory Ann.

"And Dosia Furnival ain't got one, she's prettier than my cousin Flora anyhow," Missy exclaimed with defiance.

Glory Ann stopped her work, and clutching the two ends of the lap board while she straightened herself up demanded:

"Is you been ter dem Furnivals, Missy? Is you been?"

"Daddy Gilbert wouldn't let me," Missy pouted.

"Tubbe sho'," said Glory Ann. "What's a Thorne gotter do consortin wid a Furnival, which de Thornes is quality?"

"Dosia is more nicer than my cousin Flora," said the unrepentant Missy, stretching herself out on the floor, face downwards, resting on her elbows and supporting her chin in her hands, as she gazed up serenely at her admonisher. "She don't snap me up ever."

"I'd lak ter see her try hit!" cried Glory Ann, her very turban bristling with insulted family pride. "Miss Flora is a Thorne, en a Thorne kin snap at a Thorne; but a Furnival—po' white trash!" And Glory Ann made an emphatic pleat in Miss Elvira's ruffle. "Don't lemme hear no mo' sech talk," she commanded, with all the authority vested in her title of Mom Bee. Then she lifted up her voice and called sharply. "Aunty! you triflin' gal, come here, strat, en' put on dis chile's shoes."

Aunty, a girl of fifteen, in training for Miss Winifred's maid, was seated in the shadow of the Chinaberry tree, beguiling the tedium of travel hemming by building sand houses over her feet. She started guiltily when she heard herself called, tumbled off the upturned cotton basket that served her for a stool and darted to the gallery, where she set herself at once to obey Glory Ann's behest.

Missy offered no resistance, but as she did not choose to change her position, it was a work of some dexterity and no little time to put on the shoes and lace them up. At Thorne Hill, however, time was plenty, as old Gilbert used to say, and Aunty was in no mind to hurry.

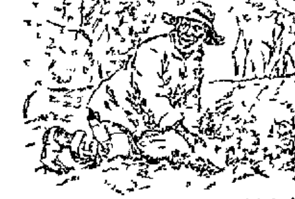
"I'm gwan on 6[illegible] year," pursued Mom Bee boastfully, "en I has all'us b'longed in de Thorne family. I wuz bawn in de family, I wuz raised in de family, en I praise de Lawd I spects ter die in de family. You is bo'n ter pay respec' ter my words, Missy, fur you en' Mawse Nick air de only ones I has fotch up. I had a han in Missie virey's raisin', en' dere ain nobody kin fault her manners. En' Missie Elvirey she knows what a Thorne doan b'long 'long of a Furnival, en a Furnival doan b'long 'long a Thorne. Hukkum you ain' patternin' atter Missie virey?" And Glory Ann looked at her charge over her spectacles with stern, rebuking eyes.

Missy, freeing herself with a jerk from the hands of Aunty, who fell over, and sat bolt upright, inspired by a sudden and comforting recollection.

"Mom Bee! why is that ginger pone?" she demanded.

CHAPTER II.

THE COLONEL'S SON.



When he had fingered his wealth to his satisfaction.

Old Gilbert climbed the high rail fence surrounding the [illegible], crossed the [illegible] path that led down to the spring, plunged at once into the woods, where the trees grew tall and close, and where the wild grape vines and the sparkleberry bushes [illegible] obstacles he was accustomed to deal, and the [illegible] through which he made his way as if by instinct, for path there was none. But this ancient child of nature was at home in the wild recesses; he knew all the trees that grew, and all plants that were [illegible], and all noxious things to be avoided. He came at last to a little [illegible] abruptly [illegible] ground and almost impenetrable to the sunshine. Here, when he had rested awhile upon a fallen [illegible] log, he knelt down and, pushing aside a [illegible], laid bare a hole in the ground, wherein was set a wide and deep iron pot, protected by an iron lid, on top of which was a tin platter that covered a fracture large enough to admit old Gilbert's hand and arm. This was the bank to which he confided the dimes he received for chickens and eggs and the skillful labor of his hands, for old Gilbert was master of many crafts by which money was to be earned, and for all his [illegible] was [illegible] good [illegible] prejudice [illegible]

As he had the [illegible] manufactures [illegible] commanded [illegible] market. Often [illegible] to dispose of a matter [illegible] to the despised Furnivals [illegible]. What he did with the money thus earned he told no one; what he meant to do with these accumulated small earnings of more than fifteen years—mounting now to quite a respectable sum—he himself did not know; but having no wife nor child, nor any kindred [illegible] gifts, the great satisfaction he could find in his money was to count it over. This ceremony he performed by an ingenious process of his own invention, in that it always [illegible] with the necessity of abstracting the coin when once it was deposited, each deposit being made in sums of $5 secured [illegible] bag, the whole amount [illegible] accurately reckoned [illegible] the account [illegible] which old Gilbert always carried with him.

When he had fingered his wealth to his satisfaction Gilbert carefully readjusted the platter over the tin broken pot lid, raked the leaves over the spot, and skillfully heaped up the brush.

"Ole nigger gittin stiff, tubbe sho'," he said, rising with a grunt. "Time I wuz fixin up 'nother bottle o' white ash bok en whisky. I git de bok en Missie virey gimme de whisky. Hit am too late for sassyfac, nuther. Little Missy allers hongu after sassyfac tea. I gwan tote her a bundle o sassyfrac ter de gret house dis night seein I wuz bleged ter spite her 'bout dem Furnivals."

Old Gilbert took his way home by a roundabout route through an old field known as the berry patch, where elder bushes and sassafras saplings grew rank in the fence corners, hedged round by little thickets of the odorous horse mint.

Here the old man set to work, down on his knees, by the aid of his ready jack knife, he was deftly extracting the roots whose rich aroma diffused itself around, when his trained ear caught the sound of steps approaching.

"Wha dat?" he whispered to himself, with palpitating heart lifting his head to listen. "Rabbit—"

A yellow cur, with cropped ears and barely three inches of tail, jumped upon a log on the other side of the fence, uttering a short, sharp bark.

Old Gilbert peered over the fence to right and left of him along the bridle path that skirted the field.

"Why you come fum yon ondemanded hens critter?" he said scornfully eying the cur, which he recognized as the property of "dem Furnivals."

The dog answered with a yelp, jumped off the log and ran across the bridle path into the woods, but presently returned at the heels of a lank, sandy haired, sallow youth clad in faded jeans.

Old Gilbert's heart knocked at his ribs as he thought of his treasure in the hollow of the wood, but "manners" demanded that some greeting should be given, and policy dictated a certain obsequiousness of tone, but the old negro bade the youth "Good morning" with a bow very many degrees removed from the respect he would have accorded to "quality."

The lad responded with sullen reluctance.

"Whicherway is you comin' fum?" old Gilbert asked, insinuatingly.

"I dunno ez hit's any o' yo' business," was the surly answer. "I ain't no furer from home then you, en' I ain't a nigger. I'm a-huntin' of a hawg, en' ef you ain't tolled hit ter yo' pen, you ole prowler, maybe you're fur gittin' onter hits track."

Old Gilbert's heart waxed hot. That he should be accused by this "po' white trash" of tolling away a lean and scrubby old hog!

"De Lor's a mighty!" he exclaimed with a sort of persuasive indignation. "Doan' you en' yo folks know what I ha's got hawgs ev'y blessed year fattenin' cawntinually? I quores my own bacon, en is been doin' dat same, year in, year out, gwan on fo' you wuz bawn. I's a prised at ye!"

"Well," drawled the boy, measurably subdued by this reminder of a fact with which he was well acquainted, "I [illegible] as ye're allers roun these woods——"

"Me?" interrupted old Gilbert, with an uneasy thought of his buried treasure, then recovering himself, "I ain't offen [illegible]," he said with significance.

"Look a here!" shouted the boy, advancing menacingly while the cur growled and showed his teeth.

"La! I b'longs ter Kernel Jasper Thorne," continued old Gilbert, with inflated superiority. "I'se a gemman's nigger, I is."

"I doan know ez that's anythin' to me," said Jesse Furnival, with sullen abatement of his wrath. "But, come, now, ain't you seen nothin' of ow ole white sow [illegible] comin en' goin'? I ain't inquirin' what ye air up toe."

Old Gilbert had dropped on his knees again and was tugging at the sassafras root. "I se comin en going on my own proper errants," he grumbled. "My own errants is done [illegible] ter count 'bout dat. Howsomever, I did see a lean ole white sow ez I come do [illegible]"

"Which [illegible]?"

[illegible] the inquiry was as [illegible] of old Gilbert's suspi[illegible] the path followin[illegible] all refer[illegible] which he had come.

"Sp'ct she wuz gwan ter de branch. Wi'ont you keep her penned? De ain' [illegible] in de woods dis time o' year ter feed her."

"[illegible] no business en [illegible] ter mind," retorted Jesse Furnival. "Prowlin roun these woods lak a free nigger [illegible] track o' that [illegible] Nick Thorne [illegible]"

"Wha dat?" old Gilbert asked, in quick [illegible]

"Ain't [illegible] learn how Nick Thorne [illegible] cut ter pieces [illegible] Marcus White? Over [illegible]"

[illegible] all that Jesse Furnival [illegible] he hoped to learn [illegible] old Gilbert.

[illegible] exclaimed the [illegible]

[illegible] two months ago [illegible] 'bout hit."

[illegible] old Gilbert [illegible] what kin cut Mawse Nick ter pieces? Doan' you got [illegible] 'round. Who do [illegible]?"

"[illegible]" sneered Jesse F[illegible] "[illegible] but wuz Marcus White [illegible] what is sorter kin to [illegible] cousin ter [illegible]" [illegible] swelling with pride in the [illegible] of this family connection, the youth spread his feet wide apart, stuck his thumbs into his "galluses" and eyed old Gilbert defiantly.

"De law gwan hol him 'countable,'" said old Gilbert.

"Ef the law kin git him!" retorted the [illegible] with [illegible] laughter. [illegible]

[illegible]

The [illegible] of all hearts at Thorne Hill were [illegible] Nicholas [illegible]. On account of some [illegible] he had been banished to Sunrise, his father's most distant plantation, partly by way of punishment, partly by way of keeping him out of [illegible]. [illegible] friends of the family did not think this the wisest course to pursue with a young man of Nicholas Thorne's temperament, but the colonel was not a man to be advised, and Nicholas had been at Sunrise plantation since early in January. No hint of the quarrel with Marcus White had reached Thorne Hill as yet; but the colonel [illegible] that his son, in all this time, had never once sued to be recalled, and Miss Elvira's deepest anxiety had been aroused by a note received a few days before, which had been mailed at [illegible], the nearest postoffice to Sunrise, and was worded as follows:

"Miss Thorne:

"RESPECTED MADAM: I am a God fearin woman and I feel it on my conscience to warn the family of Mr Nick Thorne that Sunrise Plantation is a lonesome place for a young man of sperrits and if he are not speedily removed out of harms way great trouble is in waitin and so no more from yours respectful

ROXANNA WHITE."

Miss Elvira not daring to show the note to her brother lest it might widen the breach between him and his son, had gone up to town to consult her cousin Mrs. Herry, in whose judgment she placed unbounded faith, though she had not always the courage to follow her advice. But Mrs. Herry was on a visit to her plantation in Jefferson, and Miss Elvira had returned still burdened with the afflicting note, which she was always poring over whenever her brother was out of the way. She began reading it furtively at the tea table as soon as the colonel retired to his musings on the front piazza. Missy, who had come in late to her supper, was eating waffles and honey with a leisurely gusto that had driven Griffin Jim to a stool in the kitchen with the remark, "Fo' legs is better'n two legs ter wait on Miss Winifred's delays," and thus Miss Elvira and her little niece were alone together.

Winifred improved the occasion.

"Aunt Elvira," said she, "don't you think it's time Brer Nicholas was let to come home? He's been gone ever since befo' corn droppin'." Missy's calendar was of the plantation.

"Oh, Winifred, I'm afraid Nicholas isn't—always—well conducted," Miss Elvira stammered, not knowing what to reply.

"It ain't no difference to me if he is bad or good," said Missy sturdily; "he is Brer Nicholas. Only I don't believe he ain't just as good as can be."

"But he ought not to disappoint his father as he does," sighed Miss Elvira.

"Well, I reckon father disappoints him some," Missy replied, with precocious shrewdness.

"You don't understand, dear," said Miss Elvira, wondering a little at herself that she should speak so freely to this child. "I fear Nicholas is—wild." And Miss Elvira sighed deeply. In her vocabulary "wild" was a word of the strongest condemnation.

"Let him come home, then, and get tame," said Missy, promptly.

This was Mrs. Herry's advice also—Mrs. Herry, who reasoned from a sound judgment, and her own deep experience in a like case. But to advocate Cousin Myrtilla's opinion openly was more than this timid aunt of Bishop Ken could venture upon. Her strongest hope was that Nicholas might be tamed by a marriage with his pretty cousin Flora Thorne, who had the merit of pleasing the colonel. That the colonel should be pleased was the all important point, in view of which Miss Elvira ignored the fact that she herself had not found Flora flawless. But this was not a subject to be discussed with Missy, and she felt relieved when Glory Ann interrupted with the announcement:

"Miss Elvirey, here's ole man Gilbert. Dunno 'm what he want. He mek gret parade o' secrecy 'bout what he got wrapped in a piece o' cloth, but nose kin smell sass'fras, I answers."

[illegible] Missy, and darted from the room.

"Jes' hear dat!" grumbled Glory Ann [illegible] resentment as she followed [illegible] back piazza. "Hukkom she [illegible] de [illegible] Gilbert stidder [illegible] sassyfac?"

"[illegible] Missy Elvirey, hull you do'," said old Gilbert, rising to bow and scrape [illegible] on the piazza.

"[illegible] well, Gilbert. How [illegible]?"

"I'm ter say tollable, bless Gawd, Missie virey. I lowed ter bring a dozen aigs fur [illegible] but de ain't all laid yit; en I knowed Missy wuz gwan be glad o' some sassyfac, so I jes come 'long."

"[illegible] plenty of eggs just now, I'm much obliged, Gilbert."

"Tank you," said the old man, and paused and scratched his head. Then, with a [illegible] abruptness, "Missie virey, when you hear fum Mawse Nicholas?"

"Not two weeks ago," said Miss Elvira, hesitatingly.

[illegible]

"[illegible] on 2[illegible] Mawse Nick is [illegible] this month. He [illegible]"

[illegible]

"Hello, Gilbert!" he said. "Any baskets to sell? You must be getting rich."

"Dullaw, mawster! Dis po' ole no count nigger gittin rich! [illegible] I come ter [illegible] Mawse Nick. [illegible] I been a studyin [illegible] now—[illegible] down ter Sunrise, en [illegible] Mawse Nick a little."

[illegible]

"Lawsy, massy! Hear dat, now!" ejaculated Glory Ann in the background.

[illegible]

"Very well. I'll write you a pass. Nicholas can write you a [illegible] return [illegible]"

This meant only an [illegible] of absence.

"[illegible]," said Gilbert, with his lowest bow.

Glory Ann immediately sought Daphne, Miss Elvira's maid, for the satisfaction of expressing her mind.

"Jes' you orter hear dat [illegible] Mawse Nicholas!" said she, in high dudgeon. "When wuz me, I'd lak ter [illegible] I'm a raisin' en' a [illegible] of Missy here he is cavortin of [illegible] When she gits growed 'spose he'll be livin claim ter her raisin en' exactin' privilliges cordin."

(Continued next week.)

The Best Result.

Every ingredient employed in producing Hood's Sarsaparilla is strictly pure, and is the best of its kind it is possible to buy. All the roots and herbs are carefully selected, personally examined, and only the best retained. So that from the time of purchase until Hood's Sarsaparilla is prepared, everything is carefully watched with a view to attaining the best result. Why don't you try it?

His Body Terribly Mangled.

A shocking accident occurred at the Union Knitting Mills, whereby Isaac [illegible] was horribly mutilated. Red Flag Oil, the famous pain cure, was quickly applied and recovery soon followed. You can try this great remedy for 25 cents.

If you want to drive away dyspepsia, biliousness, constipation, poor appetite and all evils arising from a disordered liver, use Dr. [illegible] Liver Regulator. Trial bottles free at Frank R. Foster's drug store.

Every Home Should Have It.

It is not always convenient to call a physician for every little ailment. Having Flag Oil in the house you have a physician always at hand. It kills rheumatism, neuralgia, burns, bruises and all aches and pains. Price 25 cents.

There are a few things in this life of which we may be certain, but this is one of them: Parisian Cough and Consumption Cure has no equal for coughs, colds and consumption. Price 25 cents. Trial bottle free at Frank R. Foster's drug store.

Forced to Leave Home.

Over 60 people were forced to leave their homes yesterday to call for a free trial package of Lane's Family Medicine. If your blood is bad, your liver and kidneys out of order, if you are constipated and have headache and an unsightly complexion, don't fail to call on any druggist to-day for a free sample of this grand remedy. The ladies praise it. Everyone likes it. Large size package 50 cents.

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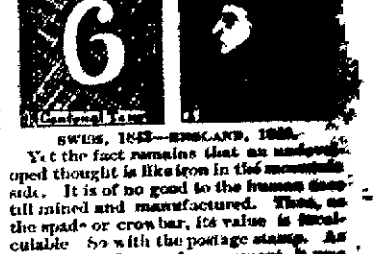
A STAMP EXHIBIT[illegible]

IT MARKS THE SEMI-CENTENN[illegible] THE MODERN POSTAL SYS[illegible]

Something About the Supposed [illegible] the Plaything of a King, but [illegible] Wide Necessity—The [illegible] Some Old Time Stamps.

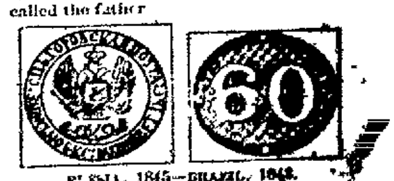
The present is the fiftieth [illegible] year of the postage stamp [illegible] centennial is being appropriately [illegible]memorated by an International [illegible] exhibition now in progress at Vienna. It was in 1840 that Sir Rowland Hill [illegible] the pace" for the civilized world [illegible] gards the transmission of [illegible] gave to the British public [illegible] able little commodity for the [illegible] ment of postage known as the [illegible] stamp. But while Sir Rowland [illegible] all the honor and credit he [illegible] as the formulator of a [illegible] tem, he was not what [illegible] an original inventor. [illegible] heard of in history as far back as the days of Louis XIV, and engraved [illegible] with gummed backs, were [illegible] used in Sardinia seventy-five years [illegible]



SWISS, 1843—ENGLAND, 1840.

Yet the fact remains that an undeveloped thought is like iron in the mountain side. It is of no good to the human race till mined and manufactured. Then, as the spade or crowbar, its value is incalculable. So with the postage stamp. As a toy or idle fancy of a moment it was the least and most worthless of ephemeral things, but the moment Sir Rowland Hill showed that a wealth of practical worth lay in the idea it gained life and permanence and has grown to be a giant of necessity.

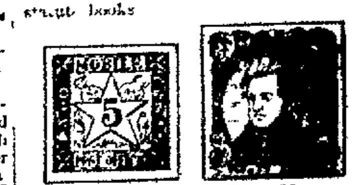
The order in which the various nations adopted the new system inaugurated by Great Britain was a curious one. The Swiss cantons and Brazil contest for second place, each issuing a series of stamps in 1843. Russia followed in 1845. The United States did nothing until two years later. France, Belgium and Spain fell into line between 1848 and 1850. Thereafter the use of stamps spread to all parts of the globe, and Persia, Turkey, Egypt, Japan, Hong Kong, Siam, the Fiji Islands and Hawaii are today numbered among the remote countries that have recognized and accepted the system of which Sir Rowland Hill is properly called the father.



PERSIA, 1845—BRAZIL, 1843.

In the United States the postal reforms consequent on the introduction of the prepaid stamp have been great and of the utmost importance. Forty years ago the rates on domestic letters were [illegible] five, six and ten cents, according to the distance. Ocean postage was enormous, ranging from twenty-four cents upward, and an agitator of that day declared that it cost a foreign born servant girl half a week's wages to send a letter and receive an answer, while "a poor man in the country will have to work a day to earn the value of the postage of a letter to and from his friends in Europe." How the newspapers fared is summed up by the same writer in a sentence: "The New York Courier and Enquirer or Journal of Commerce, weighing two and one quarter ounces, is charged to San Francisco fifteen cents prepaid, and, if not prepaid, thirty cents." He supplements his statement [illegible] the condition of things by asserting that "letter postage should be reduced to a uniform rate of two cents prepaid."

It is hardly probable that the agitator from whose writings the above quotations are taken was more fortunate than other reformers. Few of the clear sighted [illegible] tower head and shoulders above their generation live to see the triumphal fruition of their suggestions, and assuming that the man who urged two cent postage in 1850 was then in his prime [illegible] years old, gray headed and [illegible] which is hardly probable, at the date when his idea became an actuality on the national statute books.



CONFEDERATE STATES, 1861.

Philately, by the way, seems already to have reached a dignity coequal with that which attaches to numismatics. A generation ago the collection of stamps was generally thought to be an amusement for children only. Now it is the occupation in which many men of leisure and wealth delight, and it is to them that the International Stamp exhibition at Vienna owes its being. There are displayed at this novel congress several albums that contain specimens of all or nearly all the stamps ever issued, and one collection—claimed to be complete—is held by its owner at the large price of $50,000. The exhibition has attracted interest the world over, and among the attendants are several postmasters general of European countries.

Two of the illustrations are of the first stamps published by the four first countries to adopt the Rowland Hill system. The third shows different specimens of the first issue sent out by the government of the Confederate states.

Some Startling Facts.

The official returns from Boards of Health show that nearly three-fourths of all deaths are from consumption, when we think over this fact it is really awful, though every one started with a simple cough or cold. Realize how important it is to check this terrible malady, which can be done by using Parisian Cough and Consumption Cure. Price 25 cents. Trial bottles free at Frank R. Foster's drug store.

—English Spavin Liniment removes all hard, soft or calloused lumps and blemishes from horses, blood spavin, curbs, splints, sweeney, ring bone, stifles, sprains, all swollen throats, coughs, etc. Save $50 by use of one bottle. Warranted the most wonderful blemish cure ever known. Sold by A. B. Armstrong, druggist, Smethport. 36-49-1y

—Go to J. G. Hall, of Port Allegany, Pa., for all kinds of flooring, siding, wainscoting, siding, wood turning, mouldings, etc. Pike lever handles a specialty.

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Smethport, Pa., May 2, 1890.

Republican County Convention.

A Republican County Convention will be held [illegible] Tuesday, May 13th, 1890, at 2 [illegible] for the purpose of electing [illegible] and the election of two delegates to the [illegible] State Convention. [illegible]

The primaries will be held at the regular polling places in each district on Saturday, May [illegible], between the hours of [illegible] p. m. [illegible]

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W. R. WEAVER,
Chairman Republican County Committee.
Smethport, Pa., April 7th, 1890.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce Hon. Lewis Emery, Jr., [illegible] as a candidate for Congress, subject to [illegible] of the Congressional Convention of [illegible] District.

We are authorized to announce J. W. Smith [illegible] as a candidate for Congress, subject to the [illegible] of the Congressional Convention of the 27th District.

We are authorized to announce Hon. [illegible] as a candidate for Congress in the [illegible] Congressional District, subject to [illegible] Republican Convention [illegible]

Editor Miner: Please announce my name as a candidate for County Superintendent of Schools of McKean county, subject to the [illegible] of the Directors' Convention to be held [illegible] of May.
M. O. CAMPBELL.
Derrick City, April 13th 1890.

Editor Miner: I authorize you to announce my name as a candidate for County Superintendent of Schools, subject to the vote of the School Directors in Convention on the [illegible] of May.
A. M. MARSH.
Bradford, April 28 1890.

To the School Directors of McKean County: Gentlemen: In pursuance of the [illegible] section of the act of 8th of May, 1854, you are hereby notified to meet in convention at the Court House in Smethport, on the first Tuesday of May, 1890, being the [illegible] day of the month, and select viva voce, by a majority of the whole number of directors present, one person of literary and scientific acquirements and of skill and experience in the art of teaching, as County Superintendent for the three succeeding years; determine the amount of compensation [illegible] and certify the result [illegible] as required by the [illegible] sections of said act.
W. E. PARKER,
County Superintendent of McKean Co.
Smethport, April 14, 1890.

Their one candidate is in the field and now proves nothing beyond the fact that he started his work earlier than the others.—*Williamsport Republican.*

If Mr. Cleveland expects to wage a successful newspaper fight with Mr. Dana, he will have to shorten his words and carry his style a good deal at it.—*[illegible] Democrat.*

At the meeting of the Republican State Committee held in the Continental Hotel on Wednesday of last week, the time for holding the State Convention was fixed on June 25th at Harrisburg.

Gen. John C. Fremont has finally been placed, by act of Congress on the retired list of the army with the rank of Major General. This tardy act of justice will meet the hearty approval of the people of the entire country.

Hon. J. K. McAfee, editor of the Greensburg *Tribune and Herald*, and one of the best known men in western Pennsylvania, died at his home in Greensburg on Tuesday of this week aged 68 years. Mr. McAfee was a member of the State House of Representatives from 1867 to 1869 and was Deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth during Gov. Hoyt's administration.

On Tuesday last, at Syracuse, N. Y., Judge Wallace of the U. S. Court granted a writ of habeas corpus in the Kemmler case, on the ground that the manner of the execution is in violation of the Constitution of the United States. It will be remembered that Kemmler, who had been convicted of murder in the first degree, was sentenced to sudden death by means of electricity.

The proposition of Senator Mitchell, of Oregon, to amend the Constitution as to the mode of electing U. S. Senators, by giving the people the power to say by ballot who shall be their Senators instead of the Legislatures, should pass. But who supposes it will as long as so many members know that the only possible show they have to secure a seat in that body is to buy the Legislature of their States?

Robert J. Cook, business manager of the Philadelphia *Press*, has made an arrangement with the Girard estate to erect a large building at the northeast corner of Twelfth and Chestnut streets and lease the same to the *Press* company for a period of twenty years at a rental equivalent to the interest on the money invested at 5 per cent. [illegible] Wills has notified a firm of architects in Philadelphia to prepare preliminary drawings.

The announcement of A. M. Marsh as a candidate for County Superintendent appears elsewhere in this paper. Mr. Marsh was born and raised in this county, and with the exception of the three years he was away at school preparing himself for the teacher's profession and a short time he was teaching in Warren county he has always lived in this county. For eight years he has been teaching in Bradford township, and that he is eminently qualified for the position of Superintendent no one will question.

There will probably be no contest in the Republican State Convention over the nomination of a candidate for Secretary of Internal Affairs. One or two Republicans who announced that they would go before the convention for that place on the ticket have withdrawn from the field which is now left clear to Private Thomas J. Stewart, the present occupant of the office. He has administered it with credit, and will probably be renominated unanimously, not only as a compliment to himself, but as a recognition of the Grand Army of the Republic, in which he has long been popular.

DISREPUTABLE JOURNALISM.

Since the late Postmaster of Smethport was relieved of the charge of the postoffice the columns of his newspaper have been devoted to abusing gentlemen who he imagines had something to do with his removal. Scarcely a week has passed without some vile attack has appeared in its columns on Judge Morrison and last week an infamous article was published in which Hon. Jno. Wanamaker is represented as a teaching crime to his Sunday school pupils. There is not a particle of reason or justification for this abuse on the part of the retired Postmaster. He and he alone is responsible for not being to-day as secure in the office of Postmaster of Smethport as he is in his printing office. If it had not been for the most inexplicable blundering on his part he would have held the office during the life of his commission as certain as the sun rises to-morrow. What are the facts?

In his first report to the Postmaster-General after the office was turned over to him by his predecessor, a blunder was made, probably by some clerk in the Sixth Auditor's office at Washington, in which he was made to appear indebted to the government in a sum slightly exceeding $450.00. This apparent deficit was carried along on the books of the Postoffice Department through the last eight months of the Cleveland administration of which the Smethport Postmaster was an appointee. From the Department reports made to him at stated periods he was kept informed of this fact but he failed to have the blunder rectified.

At the November election in 1888 the unpalatable news came to the knowledge of this Postmaster as well as to all other Democrats that Mr. Cleveland and his Postmaster General would be relegated to the rear on the 4th of March following. Would not any man of ordinary business capabilities have gone to Washington during those four months and had the Department books corrected, which showed that he was behind in his accounts, instead of writing letters to which apparently no attention was paid? But no, he let the apparent deficit pass into the hands of a Republican administration the officials of which were not expected to hunt through the books of their predecessors to ascertain why a Postmaster was reported a defaulter. They found a shortage in his accounts and very properly Mr. Wanamaker called upon Col. Watson the Congressman representing this district to name a successor. The third letter was written to Mr. Watson before he gave the subject any attention, and in that letter Mr. Wanamaker demanded that unless a successor was named at once he would send a man from the Department to take charge of the office.

Soon after this peremptory demand Col. Watson came to Smethport, and after consultation with a half dozen prominent Republicans Mr. Kerns was recommended for the appointment. Not a man of those consulted, with perhaps a single exception, asked for a change, and most of them protested against it. Judge Morrison even went to the Postmaster and advised with him what course could be pursued to fix the matter up. After Mr. Kerns' appointment, after he was commissioned and after he had been to an outlay of several hundred dollars in buying a postoffice outfit (the finest by all odds of any ever seen in Smethport) the discovery was made by Republican officials in the Postoffice Department at Washington that the alleged deficit in the Smethport Postmaster's accounts was simply a blunder of their Democratic predecessors. But has any one ever seen a word in denunciation of those Democratic officials in the ex-Postmaster's newspaper? Not a word. On the contrary vileness personified has been hurled at Republican officials and citizens without regard to reason or fairness.

THE TRUTH OF THE MATTER.

From The Pittsburg Times.

Some days ago the New York *World* printed an interview with ex-President Cleveland complaining in gross terms of Editor Dana of the *Sun* for what it was asserted he had said of him and Mrs. Cleveland. Two or three days after all but fourteen lines of the interview was repudiated by the *World*, and the public was given to understand that the remainder had been invented and was false, in other words, that the reporter had outrageously. This seemed to relieve the ex-President from what, if true, no gentleman could rest under and retain the respect of the public. But the reporter was not discharged and is still in the employ and confidence of the editor of the *World*. If the interview was an invention he should instantly have been dismissed with the brand of liar upon him. If it was genuine and if he is content to have his work stamped as fraudulent through genuine, the fact denotes a state of things all around about which the public will have no difficulty in making up its judgment. Apparently Mr. Cleveland had to be relieved as far as possible from an extremely disagreeable situation. The reporter's silence, the fact that he continues in the service of the *World*, and the overwhelming necessity for extricating the ex-President from an extremely disagreeable situation, have imparted to the public distinct views as to the accuracy of the interview, though repudiated as it was originally printed in the *World*, apart from anything that Mr. Dana or others have said concerning it. It is a matter about which the public cannot help drawing its own conclusion. It is not improper to state that the reporter in question is Mr. Fred Crawford. He is known among newspaper men as a reporter who, as the New York *Mail and Express* says, "would not misrepresent any one." To this may be added the statement that among newspaper people it is generally understood that the interview was a faithful piece of work. The only thing discreditable to Mr. Crawford is that he does not come out and defend his work and put down the *World* and Mr. Cleveland both. It certainly is in order to interview the interviewer.

COMMISSIONER RAUM estimates that 200,000 veterans will die in the next six years, that in twelve years the number will have reached 450,000, and that this roll in eighteen years will have swelled to 720,000—thus duplicating, over and over again, with dead, the great armies of the Union. General Raum has reached the conclusion that over half a million veterans now living, namely, 536,000, will yet yield up twelve years of their lives on account of wear of the field service. In other words, the expectation of life for this number of survivors has, judged by the statistics of those who have already died, been shortened by twelve years.

OUR COMMON SCHOOLS.

At the recent Teachers' Institute, held in Kane, Mr. M. O. Campbell delivered an address of which our common schools was made the text. Following are extracts from it, which are worth reading:

"Temporal structures rest, moulder, become gray with age, crumble and fall into decay. Is this the mission of our government? If so then were all the skill displayed in its building. But such is not its mission unless we are to demonstrate to the world that this 'government of the people, for the people and by the people' is a stupendous failure. Then it becomes a question big with importance to us, what are the elements in the perpetuation of this government? The answer is, the home, the school and the church. If our institutions are to be transmitted to posterity for very many generations it must be done through the refining and elevating influences of these three. The home to train, the school to instruct, and the church to supplement the others.

"'We hold these truths to be self evident that all men are created equal.' Not that in absolute sense, but all are American citizens and as such all need to know some things, all need to know the same things up to a certain point, and the common school is the place to get that knowledge. This leads to the conclusion, first, that the state is on the right track in throwing the children all into one hopper and giving them the opportunity of being ground out well instructed in the elements of good citizenship, and if the state would go to work and remedy its own mistake by giving us compulsory attendance, much would be done to remedy the defects of common school work. The common schools are the nursery of American citizenship. The best citizen is he who most clearly recognizes that he is only one of many, and is the most willing to yield his own rights to the rights of others. The worst citizen is he who sees only his own rights and tramples with impunity on every body else's rights.

"Boys and girls are growing up to become members of society and in school is where they get their first social lessons. Each school is a little community in itself. Here are individuals with certain rights and privileges surrounded by others with equal rights and privileges and here begins in the little citizen the same contests that take place in the larger citizenship for which he is preparing. Our schools do for us what the authority of a supreme ruler and the power of a standing army do for other countries of vast territorial extent. Where has history ever before furnished an example of 60,000,000 people governing themselves? Not only have we a vast territorial extent, but we have an immigration flocking to us from every nation under the sun. Suppose the immigrants were left to their own inspirations and instead of the public schools should find only private institutions, each person would keep up his own customs of preferences, each group would constitute itself separately, preserve its own language, traditions, religious customs, its old national spirit and its prejudices. Neither is this all. The tendency of the times is to leave our political affairs in the hands of politicians. This tempts him who wants office to resort to trickery and if he is dishonest he yields to the temptation. Were all men both educated and honest there would be no such danger.

"Beware! There are methods of intimidation other than threatening to blow a man's brains out. There be means of overthrowing the liberties of a people besides armed rebellion. Like the heir apparent to a monarchy, let our children be set right on the power and scope of the schools and political economy and then let them receive a full round, complete common school education. Teach them that this is the best government on earth, that if we fail we are the last experiment of self government by a people that can ever be tried, that no earthly power can foretell the anarchy that would follow the destruction of this government; that moral principle, cultured intellect and sound judgement, (I prefer this spelling of this word which is allowable), are the elements that built this government and that the same elements must perpetuate it.

"Teach them that principles written in the constitution and in political platforms, left to the execution of unscrupulous men will be violated.

"Teach them 'there's a divinity that shapes our end,' and that that divinity is no other than the Supreme Ruler.

"Teach them 'man proposes and God disposes,' and that if evil men propose to run this government God will probably dispose of it.

"If there must be a profession of politics, and that is what this country is shaping to, teach the children to have the courage to say these politicians shall be from the virtuous, the educated, the cultured and the wise."

THE Pottsville *Republican* declares that "Chairman Andrews never resigns. He holds on and absorbs. We don't care a fig whether he resigns or not, but we assert that the Republican State Committee, if it possesses any vitality whatever, should insist on his resignation just as soon as it found him using his office in the interest of any particular candidate.—*Scranton Truth.*

IN answer to the complaint of the Philadelphia *Times* that "the amount paid in pensions last year exceeded the aggregate dividends of all the railroads in the country," the *Pittsburg Times* says very truly: "Suppose the soldiers had not earned their pensions, where would the railroad dividends be to-day? Wherefore this growl about pensions? There was a time when the loyal part of the Union was willing to offer ten times the amount yet paid or to be paid in pensions to be assured of its safety."

THE cost of the Mississippi Valley floods this year is given as high as $35,000,000. This is, of course, an almost total loss and naturally gives rise to the belief that if half this sum had been expended in building permanent levees and embankments along the river where the crevasses have repeatedly occurred the present destruction would not have overtaken the back country of Mississippi, Arkansas and Louisiana, and the money so invested would be a vast saving to the now unfortunate.

A USEFUL PRESENT.

Specht and Sasse are sole agents in this section of the County for the Crosby Invalid Bed. This is one of the most useful articles for the sick room ever invented, and it would be a most welcome christmas present to send to your sick friend. It gives comfort and ease to invalids when they are so exhausted from disease that they are obliged to be lifted from one bed to another to have it made up. It affords easy access to the body in cases of fractures, amputations, dysentary, fevers, rheumatism, &c. It is simple in construction and will not get out of order. Call and see it at their Furniture rooms on Main street.

—Cortland county creamery butter can be found at J. H. Stull's meat market, East Smethport, Pa.

THE W. C. T. U. COLUMN.

This column is conducted by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of McKean Co.

The following resolutions and plan of work were adopted at the W. C. T. U. convention held in Rixford, April 10 and 11, 1890:

Recognizing the hand of our Heavenly Father in leading us thus far, as members of this convention, we humbly acknowledge His guiding hand; and

Resolved, That we will go forward with renewed diligence in all departments of work, and will carry out to the fullest extent as far as we are able the resolutions and plan of work adopted.

(2) That while we deeply regret that some of the sisters in the state cannot work unitedly with us, we of McKean county will remain loyal to the National W. C. T. U.

(3) That we [illegible] Mrs. [illegible] [illegible] been very [illegible]

(4) That we tender our thanks to the trustees of the M. E. church for the use of their house; also to the ladies of Rixford for the very kind manner in which they have entertained us, and to those who helped in singing, and in any way have assisted in making this convention a success. Also tender a vote of thanks to the [illegible] R. R. for reduced rates.

(5) Whereas the voters of McKean county cast a majority for prohibition [illegible]

Resolved, That the W. C. T. U. of McKean county supplement this majority by a general protest to the Judge that there be no licenses granted in the county this spring whatever.

(6) That the unions of McKean county in convention assembled having lost valuable members in the death of Mrs. [illegible] Hudson of Bradford and Mrs. T. J. Mapes of Kendall therefore be it

Resolved, That the [illegible] sympathies of this convention [illegible] husband [illegible] Hudson and the [illegible] daughters [illegible] our dear sister Mrs. Mapes and Mrs. L. [illegible] whose homes have been so suddenly darkened by the death of their beloved companion.

(7) That we pledge ourselves to work for a membership of 1000 before our next meeting.

PLAN OF WORK.

Recommended, That each union make a specialty of Sabbath observance and special consecration to the temperance cause.

That each local union appoint a superintendent of franchise to assist the county superintendent.

That we [illegible] the superintendent of literature [illegible] their unions are well supplied with literature for free distribution.

That each union appoint a superintendent of [illegible] to enforce the law in regard to selling cigarettes to minors.

That in each local union special work be done among the mothers.

That we make special effort to do more effective work among the children especially the neglected class.

SUPERINTENDENTS.

County Organizer—Mrs. D. E. Stewart, 172 Mechanic street, Bradford.
Evangelistic—Mrs. P. [illegible] Walker, Bradford.
Literature—Mrs. D. E. Stewart, 172 Mechanic street, Bradford.
Press—Mrs. M. [illegible] Smethport.
Work Among Foreigners—Mrs. S. R. Thomas, Kane.
Scientific Temperance Instruction—Mrs. [illegible]
Social Purity—Mrs. [illegible] Blakeslee, 153 Mechanic street, Bradford.
Mothers' Work—Mrs. E. A. Greenman, Eldred.
Work Among Railroad Employes—Mrs. [illegible]
Prison and Jail Work—Mrs. A. M. Bartlett, Colegrove.
Sabbath Observance—Mrs. M. [illegible] Ingley, Custer City.
Unfermented Wine—Mrs. [illegible] Neill, Summit City.
[illegible]—Mrs. D. E. Stewart, 172 Mechanic street, Bradford.
Juvenile Work—Mrs. [illegible] Rixford.
Y. W. C. T. U.—Mrs. [illegible] Kendall.
[illegible]—Mrs. [illegible] Colegrove.
Health and Heredity—Mrs. [illegible] Colegrove.
Work Among Soldiers and Sailors—Mrs. T. [illegible] Mechanic street, Bradford.
Flower Mission—Mrs. J. M. Houghton, 22 [illegible] street, Bradford.
[illegible]—Mrs. D. E. Stewart, 172 Mechanic street, Bradford.
Sunday School Work—Mrs. E. A. Hilton, [illegible] Port Allegany.
Department of Mercy—Mrs. W. J. Slocum, 71 [illegible] Bradford.
State and County Fairs—Mrs. E. May [illegible], Port Allegany.
Relation of Temperance to Labor—Mrs. Lou [illegible]
[illegible]—Mrs. [illegible] Kane.
[illegible]—Mrs. Nellie McAllister, Kendall.
[illegible]—Mrs. [illegible]
Chairman of Finance Committee—Mrs. Helen [illegible]

Court Proclamation.

The Hon. A. G. Olmsted, President Judge of the Court of Oyer and Terminer and General Jail Delivery, Quarter Sessions of the Peace, Orphans' Court and Court of Common Pleas for the County of McKean, has issued his precept, bearing date Friday, Dec. 13th, 1889, and to me directed, for holding a Court of Common Pleas at the Court House in Smethport on Monday, the 12th day of May, 1890, and to continue one week.

Dated at Smethport, May 1, 1890, and in the 114th year of the Independence of the United States of America.

W. R. CLARKE, Sheriff.

Administrator's Notice.

ESTATE OF C. A. MILLIGAN, DECEASED. Letters of administration on the estate of C. A. Milligan, late of the city of Bradford, McKean county, Pennsylvania, deceased, have been granted to L. M. [illegible], residing in said city, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay.

L. M. [illegible], Administrator.
McSweeney & [illegible], Attorneys.
April 18 1890. 6t

Notice in Divorce.

Mrs. J. [illegible] Smith vs. John Smith } In the Court of Common Pleas of McKean county, Penna. No. 35 May Term, 1889.

IN DIVORCE.

To John Smith, the above named respondent: You are hereby notified that the testimony on behalf of the libellant, to be read on the hearing of the above entitled case, will be taken before the undersigned commissioner appointed by the said Court, at the office of Apple & Button, Smethport, McKean county, Pennsylvania, on Thursday May 15th, 1890, at ten o'clock a. m., at which time you may be present if you see fit.

JOHN N. [illegible], Commissioner.
Smethport, Pa., May 1, 1890. 3t.

Notice.

Mary E. Parker, by her next friend Wm. L. Chittenden vs. George L. Parker } In the Court of Common Pleas of McKean county No. 24 Dec. Term, 1889.

To the respondent Geo. L. Parker: Sir: You will please take notice that the undersigned, appointed by the Court, a commissioner to take testimony in the above entitled case on the part of the libellant, will take the depositions of libellant's witnesses in said case at his office in Emporium, Cameron Co., Pa., between the hours of 9 a. m. and 3 p. m. on Saturday the 17th day of May 1890, where and when you may attend if you see fit.

M. M. LARRABEE, J. P., Commissioner.
Emporium, Pa., April 25, 1890. 3t.

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License Applications.

Petitions and applications for Licenses for Hotels, Eating Houses, Wholesale and Retail Liquor Dealers, with and without other goods, etc., filed in the June Court of Quarter Sessions of the Peace in and for McKean County, Pa., to be held at Smethport Monday, May 12th, 1890.

HOTEL LICENSES.

Bradford City—First Ward.

Morris Herron, Black Bear Hotel, Nos. 8, 10 and 12 Pine street. Residence same.
Otho Groh, Oil City House, Nos. 103 and 105 south side Main street. Residence same.
P. M. Gallagher and William Devine, Philadelphia House, No. 90 south side of Main street, Residence same.
P. Hulqueen, United States Hotel, Nos. 63 and 70 Mechanic street. Residence same.
P. McNamara, Leary House, Nos. 10 and 12 Webster street. Residence same.
James Hurry, Capitol, No. 40 Main Street, Residence same.
James H. Burns, Washington House, Nos. 6 and 8 Webster street. Residence same.
Levi Berwald, Sheridan House, No. 39 east side Mechanic street. Residence same.
J. C. Hurley, Bay State Hotel No. 71 south side Main street. Residence same.
Edwin I. Durkee, Industry Hotel, No. 8 Davis street. Residence same.
William C. McBride, Option House, No. 29 North side Main street. Residence same.
Henry Smalkert and George H. Graff, Arlington, No. 51 north side of Main street. Residence same.
Fred Herkel, Union House, Nos. 130 and 132 south side Main street. Residence same.
J. D. Burt, Henderson House, northwest corner Webster and Corydon streets. Residence same.
James E. Fox, St. James Hotel, Mechanic street south of Main street. Residence same.
H. J. Walter, Pierce House, Nos. 107 and 109 Main street. Residence same.
Patrick Hatchman, Hatchman House, No. 152 Main street. Residence same.
Frank F. Holley, Riddell House, Cor. Main and Davis streets. Residence same.
T. E. Connelly, Connelly Hotel, No. 43 Mechanic street. Residence same.
J. L. Andrews, Hotel Brunswick, No. 29 Main street. Residence same.
John F. Bitner, Willard Hotel, Nos. 116, 118, 120 Main street. Residence same.

Bradford City—Third Ward.

E. G. Sutherland, Aiken House, Nos. 106, 108 and 110 Washington street. Residence same.
J. Polk Abbott, Bennett Brook House corner Mechanic and Washington streets. Residence same.

Corydon Township.

[illegible] Tome, on Willow Creek road. Residence same.

Eldred Borough.

William P. Reilly, St. Elmo Hotel, corner Main and street leading to depot. Residence same.

Eldred Township.

C. G. Holder, Junction Hotel, at Larrabee. Residence same.

Foster Township.

James I. McCrea, Derrick City House, Derrick City. Residence same.
George L. Davis, Stanford House, Gilmore. Residence same.
J. E. Goodenough, corner Bradford and Smethport road and plank road, New City. Residence same.
F. F. French, Park Hotel, Foster Brook park. Residence same.

Hamlin Township.

W. W. Brewer, Brewer House, Mt. Jewett. Residence same.

Kendall Borough.

Jonas Artley and Philip S. Artley, American House, corner Kendall and Main street. Residence same.

Keating Township.

Thomas Lent, Brunswick House, Coleville. Residence same.

Kane Borough.

John Shea, St. Elmo Hotel corner Fraley and Haines street. Residence same.
John Fleming, Fleming Hotel, west side of Fraley street. Residence same.
Frank Betts, Centennial Hotel east side Fraley street. Residence same.
Mick Donovan, Hotel La Mont, west side Fraley street. Residence same.
Harvey H. Corson, Kane House, west side Fraley street. Residence same.

Lafayette Township.

Ed. F. Mead and D. F. Bair, Butts House, Mount Alton. Residence same.
H. C. Wiscom, Lafayette Hotel, Lafayette. Residence same.
E. Grant, Hurley House, Big Shanty. Residence same.

Otto Township.

J. S. Brown, Duke House, Duke Centre, west side Main street. Residence same.

Port Allegany Borough.

Stephen C. Sartwell, Sartwell House, south side Mill street. Residence same.
Chester E. Palmer, Port Allegany House corner Main and Mill streets. Residence same.

Smethport Borough.

Frank N. Taylor, Grand Central Hotel, south side of Main street corner of Fulton street. Residence same.
J. A. Yerdon, Chautauqua House, north side of Main street, corner Fulton street. Residence same.
Alfred H. Peirce, Peirce House, south side of Water street. Residence same.
R. S. Wright, Wright House, cor. Main and Mechanic streets. Residence same.

Sergeant Township.

J. F. Keating, Clermont House, Clermont. Residence same.
Louis Steinhauer, Steinhauer House, Clermont. Residence same.

EATING HOUSE OR RESTAURANT LICENSES.

Eldred Borough.

C. M. Coleman, European Hotel and Restaurant, opposite W. N. Y. & P. R. R. depot. Residence same.
Patrick Gall, depot street, opposite W. N. Y. & P. R. R. depot. Residence same.

Eldred Township.

Ransom Larrabee, at Larrabee. Residence same.

Liberty Township.

Samuel W. Quick, Liberty Hotel, Portage Creek. Residence same.

Otto Township.

D. M. Canley, Empire House, Duke Centre, east side Main street. Residence same.
W. A. McDonald, Central Restaurant, Duke Centre, north side Main street. Residence same.

Port Allegany Borough.

Joseph D. Swallow, Allegany Restaurant, south side Mill street. Residence same.
Andrew J. Conley, European Hotel and Restaurant, west side Pearl street. Residence same.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL LICENSES, WITH OR WITHOUT OTHER GOODS.

Bradford City—First Ward.

P. Brugger, No. 160 Mechanic street. Residence No. 20 Bushnell street, Bradford City.
N. E. Collins and P. J. Collins, No. 58 Main street. Residence of N. E. Collins No. 37 Corydon street, and of P. J. Coll[ins] Room No. 30 St. James Hotel, Bradford City.
James L. Kerstetter, No. 35 Main street. Residence same.
Bear [illegible], No. 84 Main street. Residence Bradford City, Pa.
A. M. Mayer and M. Rolland, No. 114 Main street. Residence Bradford City, Pa.

Eldred Borough.

William Durnger, cor. Depot street, opposite W. N. Y. & P. R. R. Residence Olean, N. Y.

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Bradford City—Fourth Ward.

F. S. Woodbury, No. 37 Mechanic street, cor. Mechanic street and N. Y. L. E. & W. R. R. Residence Bradford City, Pa.
Patrick H. Davitt, No. 53 Mechanic street. Residence Bradford City, Pa.

Eldred Borough.

L. Simon and E. Doerr, west side of Railroad street. Residence Eldred borough, Pa.

All licenses must be lifted within fifteen days after the same are granted or they will be void.

J. M. McELROY, Clerk.
HUGH P. BRAWLEY, Deputy.
Smethport, Pa., April 23, 1890.

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Meadville, Pa.	May 27 to 29 inclusive
Erie, Pa.	June 3 to 6 "
Warren, Pa.	June 10 to 13 "
Jamestown, N. Y.	June 17 to 20 "
Bradford, Pa.	June 24 to 27 "
Tonawanda, N. Y.	July 1 to 4 "

April 25—tf

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More of the delicate dull tints with dainty, artistically designed patterns.

We have carpets whose presence is scarcely noticed in a room, which serve as unobstructive backgrounds for all that is placed upon them, blending with all, heightening the beauty of all, contributing more than all else perhaps to the appearance of the apartment, though practically unseen.

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All are here. All save what are repulsive, ugly. All save what are beneath your serious buying thought. All but what are mean, too highly priced.

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And we maintain it. Remember, it is much better to make your purchase from a large and well assorted stock, than to take "Hobson's Choice" from a small sample line. We claim that our styles are

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An Antique Finished Hardwood Set.	$17 50
A Solid Oak Set.	20 00
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A Marble Top Walnut Set, complete	35 00

Where in Western New York can you find as good value?

Our line of medium and fine grade chamber sets stands without a peer in Western New York, and we can show more styles at prices ranging from $75 to $800 than can be seen elsewhere in this city. If you are in want of anything in the way of chamber furniture,

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At this season of the year it is generally necessary to fix up the parlor, or music room, or reception room a little, and you naturally figure where you can have it done the best, and at the same time at the lowest price.

We carry everything in the line of Drawing Room and Parlor Furniture, and shall be pleased to give you our best attention whether you buy of us or not; but we feel sure that in looking through our vast assortment, you will find just what you want, and at a price that will surprise you by its exceedingly low figure.

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A Hair Cloth Parlor Set	$45 00
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Court Proclamation.

The Hon. A. G. Olmsted, President Judge of the Courts of Oyer and Terminer and General Jail Delivery, Quarter Sessions of the Peace, Orphans' Court and Court of Common Pleas for the County of McKean, has issued his precept, bearing date Friday, Dec. 13th, 1889, and to me directed, for holding a Court of Quarter Sessions, at the borough of Smethport, Pa., on Monday the 12th day of May, A. D. 1890, and to continue one week, for the consideration of licenses.

Dated at Smethport, Pa., April 23, 1890, and in the 114th year of the independence of the United States of America.

W. R. CLARKE, Sheriff.

Valuable Mill Property For Sale.

THE SUBSCRIBER OFFERS HIS SAW mill property, which is admirably located for business, for sale. The mill is located on Kinzua Creek, in Hamlin township, four miles southwest of the big bridge, and on the Kinzua railroad. Connected with the property is 700 acres of choice hemlock timber and surrounding it for miles in every direction is a forest of hemlock, which for quantity and quality cannot be surpassed in Pennsylvania. The mill is the Clark Brothers' improved and is capable of making fifty thousand feet of lumber every day. The mill property embraces three dwelling houses, a large boarding-house, a blacksmith shop and a barn. For further particulars inquire of the subscriber on the premises, or of Dr. W. L. [illegible], at Eldred.

JAMES [illegible]
P. O. address, Mt. Jewett, Pa.

FOR SALE.—A small House and lot on [illegible] street. For particulars enquire at [illegible] cigar store, [illegible] Main street.

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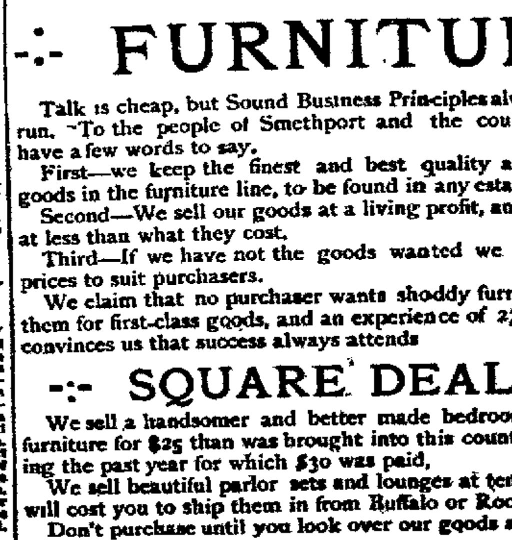

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We are sole agents of the above suspenders.
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Talk is cheap, but Sound Business Principles always pays in the lon run. "To the people of Smethport and the country surrounding, we have a few words to say,
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Second—We sell our goods at a living profit, and don't pretend to s at less than what they cost.
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We claim that no purchaser wants shoddy furniture palmed off on them for first-class goods, and an experience of 27 years in the busine convinces us that success always attends
-:- SQUARE DEALING. -:-
We sell a handsome and better made bedroom set of Antique O furniture for $25 than was brought into this country from Buffalo du ing the past year for which $30 was paid.
We sell beautiful parlor sets and lounges at ten per cent. less than will cost you to ship them in from Buffalo or Rochester.
Don't purchase until you look over our goods and prices.
SPECHT & SASSE.

McKean County Miner.

[illegible] - - Associate Editor.

Smethport, Pa., May 2, 1890.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

—Arbor Day.

—Yesterday was May-day.

—May flowers are blooming.

—The carpenters are all busy.

—There is good timber in Smethport for a base-ball team.

—The recent warm April showers have been of great benefit.

—The drowsy murmur of the festive fly is once more heard.

—Hon. M. M. Steele of Alton, visited Smethport on Thursday.

—Lawyer E. L. Keenan and daughter are visiting in Philadelphia.

—Pike are said to be unusually plentiful in the streams this season.

—"Old Man Gilbert," a very interesting serial commences with this issue.

—To-day is Arbor Day, and everyone should take pride in planting a tree.

—Gentle reader will you kindly examine Mrs. Nash's new advertisement.

—East Smethport is excited. Hegerty money is floating around in that place.

—E. B. McCoy, Mt. Jewett's hustling druggist was a visitor in Smethport Monday.

—Mrs. F. S. Mills has gone to her home in Atlantic City, N. J., for the summer season.

—Look out for some big manufacturing plants that are going to swoop down on us this season.

—The Greenfield-Hegerty foot race next Wednesday will draw a large crowd to the county seat.

—The proceeds of the W. R. C. fair and dance at the opera house last week amounted to about $100.

—F. W. Sprague of Duke Centre, let the light of his countenance shine on us on Thursday of this week.

—A. R. Kidder and mother of Fulton street, were called to Bolivar last Saturday by the illness of a relative.

—A. J. Bond has a large stock of No. 1 pine shingles which he offers for sale. See his advertisement elsewhere.

—Work was commenced Tuesday on the new mill at Long Hollow in place of the one recently destroyed by fire.

—Love's symplicity has again been betrayed it is rumored, and the gay deceiver has skipped by the light of the moon.

—The handsome new omnibus recently purchased by Mr. Maguire, now graces the route to the W. N. Y. & P. depot.

—Brother Caskey of the Austin *Autograph*, announced last week the arrival of another 10-pound printer in his family.

—Apropos of the recent burglaries, is it not time that the citizens of Smethport were accorded some sort of police protection?

—Miss Robertine Vincent accompanied by her nephew Herbert Yerdon, returned from a visit to relatives in Jamestown, on Saturday.

—John B. Laraway, Smethport's most accomplished fly fisherman, brought home some very handsome trout from a trip to Warner brook last Monday.

—Gifford's Mechanic street mill is being rapidly rebuilt, and before many weeks operations will have commenced. New machinery throughout has been procured.

—The Backus store building on Main street which is being remodeled for the occupancy of Stickney, Bell & Co., will be when completed, a most desirable location.

—James Maguire, manager of the Smethport omnibus line, informs us that he will run conveyances to and from Hamlin Park on May 7th, the day of the foot race.

—A. T. Palmer, the enterprising liveryman, occupies considerable space in to-day's MINER in showing up his fine horse stock. Farmers will do well to consult his advertisements.

—Smethport is at last to be favored with a theatrical attraction. The "New York Comedy Co." will hold the boards at the opera house next Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings.

—Perhaps Bolivar has half a dozen fast sprinters who have defeated Lemon, of East Smethport, as the *Leader* boasts. Just send them over and Greenfield will use them to practice on for his coming race.

—The New York Comedy Co., under the supervision of H. C. Witwer, will appear at Kittredge opera house three nights commencing Thursday, May 8th. Good company, good plays, everything new, go and see them.

—Joseph W. Freutla, referred to by the MINER last week as having had a leg amputated at the poor house, died on Tuesday morning. Deceased was an intellectual man of fine education, and was at one time an extensive traveler.

—When spring opens up in earnest, we are going to suspend operations long enough to scrub out the office, wind the eight-day clock and match the devils for a foot race in the editorial sanctum. It will be a gala-day for the MINER force.

—The song of the tack hammer and whip on the carpet mingles with the chirp of the robin and makes life merry as the lord and master of the house sits on the lid of a trunk and eats his dinner from a work-basket and moulding-board.—*Eldred Eagle.*

—Wouldn't it stagger a veteran citizen of the revolutionary days, could he be confronted with an Edison talking doll of the period. The quaint cue of his wig would stand with the three cornered hat on the end unless he remembered a glib tongue was perfectly natural for the sex represented.

—The address of the Memorial Committee of the Association of County Commissioners, adopted at their session in Pittsburgh on the 10th of April, to Anti.-Gen. Thos. McCamant, will be published in our next issue. Commissioner McKean of this county is a member of the committee.

—Was Shakespeare looking into futurity, and did he see the cigarette victim of the nineteenth century when he wrote the following lines?:

"But now will canker sorrow eat my bud,
And chase the native beauty from his cheek,
And he will look as hollow as a ghost;
As dim and meagre as an ague's fit;
And so he'll die; and rising so again,
When I shall meet him in the court of heaven
I shall not know him."

—W. H. Picard's magnificent Percheron stallion, "Valoreux," was sick almost unto death during the past week, but we are really glad to know that he has fully recovered. Mr. Picard is deserving great credit for introducing in this country such fine blooded stock as this horse shows. He is an imported Percheron which is as good draught stock as the world produces. He will be found at the Hamlin farm barns, head of Main street, during the season.

—[illegible], of Bolivar, the man who was shot by Henry Smith near Clarksville Wednesday morning, and who died from the effects of the wound yesterday morning, is a brother-in-law of William Mason of this place.

—The success of the W. R. C. fair and dance was largely attributable to the energy thrown into the affair by the ladies of that organization. All did nobly. Mrs. Silas Bush, who raised $22.83 on the set of dishes, thereby capturing them, desires us to extend her special thanks to friends at Clermont and Eldred for their generous contributions.

—The craft that is burdened with a cargo of weary reality, sails into the harbor of forgetfulness every night, as the dandelion's blow is wafted on the breath of June, into some dell on the wayside. All of the fairy creations that throng the enchanted palace, one then inhabits, would be of most charming form, if he resigned himself to the transitory and wonderous world of dreams, with a consciousness of a day's work well done and of charity generously given to his fellow-men.

—Misanthropic ravings over imaginary wrongs and innuendoes of a kind not very flattering to a number of reputable citizens, are as numerous of late in the columns of a local journal, as flies in fly-time. It is hoped that the author of them will shortly see himself as others see him, and desist. It is a bad a policy to cry over the fickle turn of the political wheel of fortune, as over spilled milk, especially if the wheel is not as much to blame for general results as an obstinate disposition.

—Tuesday morning Constables Fennerty and Spreeter went to Gillmor and arrested Messrs. Dana, Sheakley, Whitford, Adams and McCann on the charge of selling liquor without a license, keeping gambling rooms, etc., etc. These defendants were each given a hearing and about 20 witnesses testified against them. The White Ribbon ladies were successful in putting out the lights in several cosy little club rooms and feel that they've accomplished a great moral reform.—*Era.*

—The "Annals of St. Luke's Church, Smethport, Pennsylvania," compiled by Maria Everett Ford, an aged communicant of the parish, are nearly issued in pamphlet form. The pamphlet sketches the planting of the church at that point, in 1842, and briefly enumerates the leading events in the subsequent history of the parish, with the names of those baptized, confirmed, and married, and memorials of several deceased parishioners. The pamphlet will be much appreciated by friends of the parish.—Milwaukee *Young Churchman.*

—"Rev." John D. Wood, the Port Allegany bigamist, was released on bail. His relatives from New York sent $1,500 to the court and deposited it, and the reverend is again a free man. Rev. Wood says he is not talking about the case, but he has no doubt of his ability to prove his innocence of the crime with which he is charged. He admits that he deceived Miss Gullick, who claims she was married to him in 1888, but denies ever having married her. Wife No. 2, accompanied by her mother, left Port Allegany for Buffalo, their former home.

—An exchange says: "It is no longer good taste for a gentleman to raise his hat when he meets a lady on the streets. A courteous wave of the hand, not unlike a military salute, has been substituted for the old custom in London, Paris and Vienna. It is not a fad but a conviction that uncovering the head in the open air caused a number of cases of influenza. To see a man go along the street and with a spasmodic grab yank his hat off and bring it down over his face so he can see the inside of the crown is amusing. In the future keep your hat on if you wish to be in style. Make a semi-military salute, just touching the rim of the hat."

—The "Cobweb" party is said to be the most recent result of the past winter's social ingenuity in the art of entertainment. The radiating lines of the web are made of narrow ribbons, between which are gay colored silken threads, crossing and recrossing each other at common centres in all kinds of perplexing tangles and finally running off each in some special direction, to be attached to some object in the room. A thread is given to each guest, and it is his duty to follow the silken clue through all its mazes, and finally to present it to his hostess, wound up in a neat little ball. As each guest is sure to be led, in disentangling his thread, into co-operative industry with every other guest, the imaginative mind early seizes upon the peculiar advantages and social possibilities of a entertainment of this kind.

Memorial Day.

The Committees of Post 347 and W. R. C. No. 23 on Memorial Day exercises are requested to meet at the Wright House on Saturday evening of this week, for the purpose of arranging a program for the day's exercises, appointing Committees, &c. A full attendance of both Committees is desired.

L. ROGERS,
Chairman Post Com.

Band Concert.

Smethport Band has arranged to give a series of open-air concerts on the court house lawn during the summer months, commencing on Saturday evening of this week, weather permitting. These concerts will occur on each alternate Saturday evening, from 7 to 8 o'clock, and no doubt will be greatly enjoyed by our citizens. The following programme will be rendered to-morrow evening:

March ......Pennsylvania Gen......J. D. Ellenger.
Overture ......Night Wanderer......V. Moshac.
Cornet Solo......Blue Bells......Dodsworth.
Mr. J. W. Baker.
Valse ......Visions of Paradise...C. W. Bennett.
Selection......Cavalier ......H. Freudeville.
Polka Mazurka ......Nana ......A. Cosaggio.
Galop......Young Blood......A. Cosaggio.
PROF. F. S. MILLS, Director.

Important Business Change

Amos Dunbar formerly of M. A. Lillibridge & Co., of Port Allegany, and A. W. Georgia, of State Line, have purchased the big Baillis mill at Carrollton, N. Y., and will remove the plant to Big Shanty, in this county. This mill is one of the largest in this section, having a capacity of 50,000 feet a day. The work of removal has commenced and by the terms of the contract will be in running order about the first of July. In conversation with Mr. Dunbar on Wednesday morning, he informed the writer that he would continue work at the mill at Alton and that the sawing of 50,000,000 feet had been contracted for at these two mills. To one looking out of a Big Shanty it would seem that a big boom was making its appearance on the horizon.

A Sensible Man

Would use Kemp's Balsam for the Throat and Lungs. It is curing more cases of Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Bronchitis, Croup and all Throat and Lung Troubles, than any other medicine. The proprietor has authorized any druggist to give you a Sample Bottle *Free* to convince you of the merit of this great remedy. Large Bottles 50c. and $1.

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[illegible] at Work—Two Houses Entered.

The manipulators of the jimmy were industriously at work up town yesterday morning. At an early hour the residences of Dr. H. L. McCoy and Hon. Robert H. Rose were entered, and had it not been for the loud report of Dr. McCoy's revolver, it is hard telling to what an extent the work of plunder would have been carried. About 1 a. m., the doctor having retired, was disturbed by a noise on the first floor of his residence. Hastily dressing, he went into the hall and discovered a bright light shining from a dark lantern in the parlor. He procured his pistol and went down to open hostilities upon the intruders, but when he entered the room it was deserted, the burglars having taken alarm and fled. The doctor reached the veranda in time to fire at a shadowy form vanishing around the corner of the Rose residence some thirty yards distant. He proceeded on his quest and again discharged the fire-arm, the report of which aroused Rev. J. H. McCandless and wife and a domestic, who were occupying the house in the absence of Mr. Rose's family. The nocturnal artists had already effected an entrance, but probably concluding that it was getting a little too warm in the neighborhood, they gave up the job and made tracks down street, forced to leave the booty behind. People living in the vicinity think that the two burglaries were attempted by different gangs.

A lady guest at the doctor's residence, obtaining a glimpse of the would-be thieves from her chamber window, describes one as a tall man wearing a long, dark coat, and the other as a man of medium height, dressed in a light colored suit. A number of suspicious looking characters have been flitting around Smethport of late, and if any of the artists expose themselves to some of our crack shots, they will be likely to see stars, hereafter.

LATER.

Since the above facts were learned, it has been discovered that the town is literally filled with house breakers, and that a number of burglaries were attempted at the same time as those recorded in the foregoing lines, including an entrance effected into the house of W. D. Gallup, Esq., on Green street. The lord and master must protect his own castle as there is little police protection in Smethport.

COMMENTS OF THE PRESS.

An eastern physician is said to have used with success an instrument of his own invention, by means of which he can direct a current of electricity against a diseased cell in cases of cancer, and destroy it without injuring a healthy cell. If so, he deserves a monument in Boston by the side of that reared to the memory of him who introduced the use of anesthetics.—Pittsburgh *Telegraph.*

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A ball of fire as big as a barrel alarmed the Long Branchers Monday and hailstones the size of baseballs terrified some some Baltimorians. This is the season of exaggerated meteorological phenomena.

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Grand old Gladstone has taken to defending the Bible. It was not necessary for Mr. Gladstone to do this. The Bible is a book that needs no defense, for the reason that the silly people who attack it are incapable of injuring it.

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Col. John L. Sullivan is satisfied and Col. Peter Jackson is satisfied at the size of the purse—$20,000—hung up by the California Athletic Club for which they will battle. It is a right tidy sum, and both gentlemen being satisfied, the California club happy and things serenely sweet all around, the general public, too, ought to share in the general joy by the news, when these sluggers come together, that they have pounded each other so badly that neither will ever again be able to appear in the prize ring. A pair of animals like Sullivan and Jackson can demoralize an entire country.—Harrisburg *Telegraph.*

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Depew says: They tell us there is no more Creator, only a cosmic dust. Who made the dust? There is only protoplasm, indeed. Who made protoplasm? They tell us of evolution from dust to monkey and then to man; but all the scientists have never found the missing link. The simple gospel of the humble son of a carpenter, preached by 12 fishermen, has survived the centuries and outlived all other philosophies of 1800 years. I am not versed in the terminology of the philosophies. I believe them to be of little use to reach the hearts and to influence the actions of simple men. There is no liberty that lasts in the world, and there is no government which has liberty in it that lasts, that does not recognize the Bible. What is the object of all theology? It is to reach the human heart and to control the actions of men as they are. How many of us can even understand what the philosopher says? You might take the whole Stock Exchange and read Kent to them, and it would be utterly incomprehensible to them. Not so with the teachings of the Golden Rule. * * * They tell us God must disappear; that praying is begging; that the Holy Communion is cannibalism. When did such a religion send out a missionary? When you show me a colony of ten thousand people who have come to live decently by its teachings, I may believe it. But I say now that the Christian faith of my mother is good enough for me. If we believe this faith, what harm? If we disbelieve it, and thereby do wrong, what of our future?

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A correspondent of a Philadelphia newspaper in describing a gypsy girl says: "The morning breeze softly moved through her streaming black hair." This is quite an improvement on "the wind blew through his whiskers."

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Why is it that this "tariff ridden land" continues to receive the millions in increasing numbers from Europe? The immigration statistics for the past three months show the largest arrivals ever recorded. One hearing the Democratic groanings over "the robber tariff," "the overtaxed" and "mortgaged farmers" would naturally expect to see outgoing ships loaded with downtrodden workingmen seeking free trade lands to grow up in the country. The workingman comes in the steerage and goes back only on a visit, and then in a stateroom.—Chicago *Inter-Ocean.*

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It is Africa now that fills the eye of the American man of enterprise. A Philadelphia delegation last week took to Washington a memorial asking Congress to aid in establishing an American line of steamers to the west coast of the Dark Continent. Though our trade is comparatively insignificant no country in the world has a deeper commercial interest in the development of Africa than the United States. The memorial sets forth earnestly the considerations in favor of the proposed enterprise.

Interesting News From Various Localities As Related by Our Regular Correspondents.

BRADFORD.

A. T. Palmer, of Smethport, was in town on Monday.

The Emery Oil Co. has just received a fine span of Kentucky horses.

Another arc dynamo has been added to the Bradford electric light plant.

Samuel Colby, of this city, has been granted an original invalid pension.

Herman Newmeyer, of this city has been granted an original invalid pension.

J. G. Wolfe, Esq., returned on Saturday last from an extended foreign tour.

It is estimated that about $150,000 are paid out monthly in wages alone in Bradford.

The subscription for the benefit of ex-Chief-of-Police McCrea foots up at upwards of $590.

W. W. Bell, cashier of the First National Bank, returned last week from a business trip through Florida.

The Board of School Control have a big job on hand to fill Miss Boyce's place as Superintendent of the City Schools.

Smith Bros., the reliable Main street grocers, have greatly improved their store by placing a plate glass front in the same.

For the first time in over a year the city papers contain advertisements of "houses for rent." Perhaps rents will begin to take a deserved tumble.

Dr. G. E. Benninghoff has removed to the house lately occupied by J. A. Walker, 125 Corydon street. The doctor purchased the house a short time since.

Senator Quay is championing in the U. S. Senate the bill to give Bradford a $60,000 public building. It is hoped that his efforts will be crowned with success.

There is no truth in the report that the managers of the Chicago World's Fair have secured the union depot as one of the attractions at the forthcoming exhibition.

Some very pretty new cottages have been erected this spring on South Mechanic street. The brow of Quintuple furnishes some desirable locations for dwelling houses.

Work is being rushed with all possible dispatch on Bovaird & Seyfang's new brick block on lower Main street. The building when completed will be one of the finest in the city.

Mrs. Carrie Fox has been bound over to court under $300 bail to answer the charge, preferred by P. L. Webster, of breaking shrubbery and plucking flowers in Oak Hill cemetery.

The *Era* of Saturday contained the first of a series of letters to be written by Rev. Dr. Thomas on his foreign travels. The letter is dated at Antwerp, Belgium, and is very interesting.

At a special meeting of the councils held on Friday evening the following named gentlemen were elected to serve as Water Commissioners: F. D. Wood, R. A. Dempsey and T. B. Clark.

Sanitary Policeman Ronan will find himself confronted with any amount of work, but it is hoped he will do his duty in a thorough manner, and thereby win the favor of those who regard cleanliness akin to godliness.

Lieut. O. W. Koester, of the United States Navy, is visiting at the residence of his brother, E. Koester, Esq., on Kennedy street. Mr. Koester has been stationed for the past two years on the coasts of China and Japan. He came directly from Yokohama.

There are several applications for the position of Superintendent of the City Schools. The School Controllers will hold a convention on May 6 for the purpose of electing a Superintendent. The salary—$1,600 a year—ought to secure a competent person for the position.

The 59th birthday of the popular merchant tailor, Geo. Habernigg, Sr., was made the occasion for a pleasant serenade at his residence on Pearl street, on Wednesday evening of last week, by the Leidertafel Society. Refreshments, music, dancing and good cheer were the order of exercises.

That the tramp fraternity is a nuisance no one will deny. But are the authorities justified in hitching a ball and chain to their legs and sending them out on the street to be scoffed at by the public. It appears to me that such things smacks too much of southern methods to be permitted in a civilized community.

On Thursday evening of last week E. G. Heald, of Custer City, drove to Bradford on a shopping tour. He tied his horse, which was hitched to a buck-board wagon, to a hitching-post on Kennedy street just off from Main. When he got ready to return home Mr. Heald found that some bold thief had purloined the whole rig, and made off with it.

Last Sunday morning between the hours of 7 and 8 o'clock fire was discovered in the wooden structure in the rear of L. Emery & Co.'s store, used as a warehouse by that firm. The firemen responded promptly to the alarm, and soon had the fire under control. The damage amounted to about $600. How the fire originated is not known.

Let a stranger locate in this city with an inferior quality of goods and offer as an inducement to buyers to present his patrons with bogus jewelry, etc., and he will soon build up a lucrative business—far in excess in many instances of the home merchant who owns property in the city and in consequence thereof has its welfare at heart. Bradford merchants would be justified in rebelling against all Cheap John and lottery schemes that may happen to strike town for the purpose of "roping in" the unwary.

The first game of ball of the season came off on Friday afternoon on the home grounds between the Bradford club and the Stars, of Rochester. The Rochester team proved too good wood for the Bradford club, as the score of 3 to 8 in favor of the visitors conclusively showed. The second game between the same clubs was to have been played on Saturday, but rain interfered with that part of the programme. It is altogether probable that the Bradfords will make a much better showing when they get their hands in.

KENDALL CREEK.

F. Sherod has gone to the oil fields of Ohio.

Miss Lenora Fitzsimmons left last week for Lima, O.

Miss Minnie Tibbits left Monday for her home in Massachusetts.

Mrs. Fred Miller of Kansas, is in town the guest of her sister, Mrs. C. B. MacKinney.

Miss May Calhoun has been quite ill for the past two weeks with a very severe cold.

Mrs. R. Troupe has returned from New York city with a full line of spring and summer millinery.

Miss Lucy Hotchkiss, who has been spending the winter with Mrs. F. Sherod, returned to her home in Erie county this week.

Mrs. J. P. Whittsey was called to Ellicottville last Friday, by the sad news of the death of her sister, Mrs. H. Wilder of that place.

The Y. W. C. T. U. of this place will give a musical and literary entertainment at the M. E. Church Friday evening. A treat is in store for those who attend.

The friends and pupils of Mrs. Seymour gave a fairy cantata entitled "Mother Goose's Melodies," last Thursday evening at the Presbyterian Church. The little people did very well and reflected great credit on their teacher. The church was crowded and the affair was a success financially at least.

CLERMONT.

Frank Hafner is doing some good work on our public roads.

L. Steinhauer is expected to move into his new store this week.

A new Odd Fellows' Lodge will be instituted at Mt. Jewett on the 7th inst.

Mrs L. Steinhauer spent most of last week in Buffalo, purchasing goods, etc.

Messrs J. H. Tate and Lewis Steinhauer went to Smethport Wednesday morning.

Albert Nelson is fixing up his building in good shape. When finished it will be a credit to the town.

Everybody is building or fixing up their houses or making improvements. Samuel Gray is not to be the last one.

D. A. Mattes, boss car inspector for has resigned his position and gone to Bradford.

A new coal schute is being built by Antony Maloy, on the Lyman property and a switch will be run from Moore's new railroad, so that coal can be shipped direct without reloading as heretofore.

C. H. Moore will put up a fence between his railroad and the public highway, then there will be no more danger from his motive power than from any railroad running parallel with a township road.

We were all sorry to learn that Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Kane, now of Olean, but formerly of Clermont, had lost their youngest child, a bright little boy. This community extends to Mr. and Mrs. Kane their sympathy in this their hour of bereavement.

HASSON.

Wm. Hafner and wife visited the county seat Thursday.

P. Hafner was in Smethport Thursday looking for seed oats.

Big bridge and fishing excursions are the order of the times.

There seems to be a great demand for seed oats here this spring.

Not quite a flood this time; just enough to rouse up the log runners.

T. Kinney and George Gorlick were making calls in Smethport Monday.

Barnum would do well to secure Cap's ponies. They are certainly well trained.

W. B. Dutcher is champion fisherman, he having caught the largest string of trout we have yet seen.

Our enterprising friend, N. Bloomster, has a span of horses to be proud of. He got them in Buffalo.

Someone ought to start a general store on the four corners here, near the post-office. It ought to be well patronized.

Among others who had business at the county seat on Saturday were E. Perry, J. Dabern, H. Robinson and D. Martin.

Some enterprising farmer ought to start a stock ranch here and raise heavy draught horses, Clydesdales and Percherons. Many hundreds of dollars leave our little hamlet each year for heavy teams that should be kept at home.

An Abandoned Child.

John A. Jamieson, a Seneca Indian, runs a ferryboat across the Allegany river near Steamburg. Last summer a fine looking and well dressed young white man and woman with a three months' old boy baby, crossed the ferry late in the evening and gained permission to spend the night at Jamieson's home. They departed during the night without arousing their host, leaving the child. It has been tenderly cared for by the Indian, fresh milk in ample quantity for its sustenance having been bought daily. The child has seemed to thrive under the care of its foster parent and is a healthy and handsome baby. Jamieson now wants to take steps to have it adopted into the Seneca nation and become his heir by law. He seems to be unusually fond of it, sparing no pains to provide for its comfort.—Olean *Times.*

Wedding Anniversaries.

A venerable couple at Huntingburg, Ind., celebrated the seventy-fifth anniversary of their marriage—their diamond wedding—the other day. Here is the commonly accepted table of wedding anniversaries:

First year—Cotton wedding.
Second year—Paper wedding.
Third year—Leather wedding.
Fifth year—Wooden wedding.
Seventh year—Woolen wedding.
Tenth year—Tin wedding.
Twelfth year—Silk wedding.
Fifteenth year—Crystal wedding.
Twentieth year—China wedding.
Twenty-fifth year—Silver wedding.
Thirtieth year—Pearl wedding.
Fortieth year—Ruby wedding.
Fiftieth year—Golden wedding.
Seventy-fifth year—Diamond wedding.

EVERYBODY'S COLUMN.

Items of Interest Gathered from Various Sources by the Man With the Shears.

—Go to M. Rosenfield's for clothes.

—Farm to rent. Apply to A. Reilly.

—Carpets in exchange for wool at the Furniture and Carpet Store.

—For wall paper, go to Reilly's Furniture and Carpet store.

—Blooded sheep for sale. Enquire of A. Reilly, Smethport, Pa.

—A big line of clothing for men and boys at M. Rosenfield's Main street.

—A car load of choice timothy and clover seed just received at W. D. Gallup's dry goods Store.

—Apples and potatoes at lowest market rates, kept constantly on hand at J. H. Stull's, East Smethport, Pa.

—O. J. Smith has purchased a dray in connection with his ice business and persons requiring haulage would do well to give him a call.

—A car load of choice timothy and clover seed just received at W. D. Gallup's dry goods Store.

—Fifty-two new doctors were launched upon the public from the University of Buffalo a few days since. Alas, for poor humanity.

—The handsomest wall paper ever brought to Smethport can be seen at Specht & Sasse's Furniture rooms.

—If you want pictures framed in the latest styles call at Specht and Sasse's Furniture rooms, Main Street, Smethport.

—Families, jobbers and everybody can be supplied with fresh and salt meats promptly upon application at Stull's, East Smethport, Pa.

—Wanted, a girl to do general house work. For information apply at the residence of Mrs. J. C. Backus, Main St.

WANTED.—A good appetite. You can have it easy enough by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla. It really does "makes the weak strong."

—The Rochester street car company is having 100 electric street cars built. They are to be ready for use by the 1st of November.

—A splendid remedy for the disorders of the stomach is Laxador, the "golden" household remedy. Price only 25 cents. Sold by all druggists.

—"It is safe." All those who have the future happiness of children at stake, should know that Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup contains nothing injurious.

—Two criminal assaults were made last week upon ladies in Wellsville by brutes in human form. Wellsville evidently needs regenerating.

—Do not "throw up the sponge." Try the old standard remedy, Dr. Bull's cough syrup. Price 25 cents.

—I highly recommend Salvation Oil; it has done more for my wife in one night than physicians have accomplished in years. FRED A. SCHULZE, 612 W. Fayette St., Baltimore, Md.

—A car load of choice timothy and clover seed just received at W. D. Gallup's dry goods Store.

—Before buying your wall paper examine the stock in the Furniture and Carpet store. It is the most artistic paper ever offered for sale in this town. We have no old, out of date wall paper to pawn off on the people, our prices we guarantee as low as any city.

A. REILLY, Manager.

—Itch, Mange, and Scratches on human or animals cured in 30 minutes by Woolford's Sanitary Lotion. This never fails. Sold by A. B. Armstrong druggist, Smethport. 20 49-1y

Pure Brandy.

We call our readers attention to the following testimonial from undoubted source on the excellence and purity of Speer's P. J. Brandy.

NEW YORK.

MR. SPEER,
I congratulate you on a recent unsought testimonial as to the purity brandy. Lady Duffus Hardy, of London, England, an old acquaintance of mine, on tasting from the bottle of brandy, we brought from Passaic the other day, immediately asked me to get a like one for her, which I did this morning. The English aristocrats, you know male and female, are pretty good judges of brandy.
Wishing you every success in your really good work,

I remain yours truly,
PRUDENCE HULBURD,
Editor N. Y. Graphic.

HOW TO SAVE MONEY.

Experience has shown that some system is absolutely necessary to induce a large proportion of the persons of moderate means to lay aside a part of their incomes. The smaller the income, the greater, of course, is the temptation to spend it all in order to supply wished-for comforts of life. When money saving means a denial of some creature comfort, some equivalent for the denial must be presented clearly to view. The naturally frugal spy out this equivalent for themselves. But there are so many who are not by nature frugal; and it is for them that a system must be devised.

The most efficient system of this kind should combine three things: 1, An easily perceived inducement to save; 2, regularity in laying aside the savings; 3, as much compulsion as may be in enforcing the economy.

These conditions are best fulfilled by the form of co operation known as the Building and Loan Association.—From "Co operative Home Winning," by W. A. Linn, in May Scribner.

GEORGE WASHINGTON'S COAT BUTTONS.

From a profusely illustrated article in the May Century, by William Armstrong, on "Some New Washington Relics," we quote as follows: "In connection with the conch shell buttons shown in an accompanying illustration, the story is told of General Washington that one day, while walking alone in the streets of Philadelphia, he was accosted by a poor Italian, who, ignorant of the personality addressed, continued to follow and importune him to buy some of the conch shells which he carried in a basket on his arm, and which he persisted were the only things that he had in the world to dispose of. 'But my good man,' remonstrated General Washington, 'what would I do with conch shells? I have no use for them.' 'Oh, yes, you have,' came the ready rejoinder. 'You might have them made into buttons for your coat.' Smiling at his prompt reply, Washington not only purchased the shells, but, the better to further the advice, took them at once to his tailor, and directing them to be riveted, ordered a brown velvet coat, that their especial usefulness might be straightway demonstrated.'

WHEN THE FARMER WILL BE PROSPEROUS.

C Wood Davis in the May Forum.

Our domestic consumption will absorb the entire product of cereals, potatoes and hay, within five years from January, 1890, and thereafter agricultural exports will consist almost wholly of tobacco, cotton, and animal products, the volume of which will shrink as constantly, if not in the same degree, as home consumption increases. To most people it would probably appear quite absurd even to suggest that much within ten years it will be found necessary to import large quantities of wheat to feed the ever-increasing population; but such will be the logical sequence of the necessity of employing wheat fields in the growth of other staple crops, and of the virtual exhaustion of the raw material from which farms are developed.

Does not the evidence show that before this decade is half spent, all the products of the farm will be required at good prices, that lands will appreciate greatly in value, and that the American farmer will enter upon an era of prosperity the unlimited continuance of which is assured by the exhaustion of the arable areas?

Don't go Off Before You are Ready.

Particularly on a long journey. Be fully prepared. You cannot be, permit us to say, unless you are accompanied with the traveler's and tourist's *vade mecum*, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, most genial of appetizers, acclimatizers and promoters of digestion. Against sea sickness, malaria, cramps and colics begotten of badly cooked or unwholesome food and brackish water, nervousness, increased by travel, chronic biliousness and constipation, the Bitters is a sovereign preventative. It imparts a relish for food not altogether to your taste, and prevents it from disagreeing with you. Never was there such a capital thing for the unfortunate dyspeptic who stands in dread of the best cooked meal. Stomachic trouble caused by ill prepared viands aboard ship, on steamboats, and rations hastily bolted at railway restaurants, is soon remedied by the Bitters, which give a quietus also to rheumatism, kidney troubles and insomnia.

A Tremendous Sensation.

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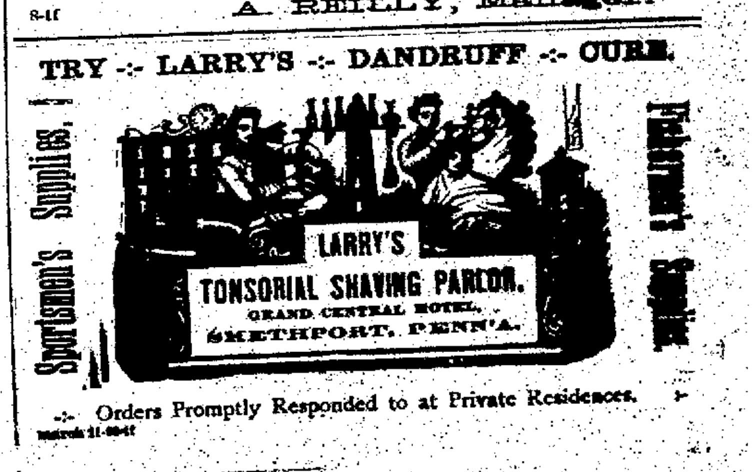
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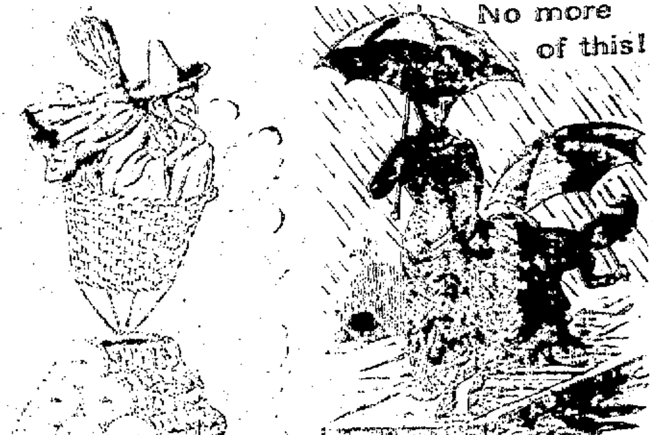

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The loss of chicks from gapes is larger perhaps, than from any other cause. Attacking only the chicks when young, the loss is not as perceptible as when cholera carries off a flock of adults, but as the chick is the future fowl, the loss of poultry from gapes is larger than by cholera, roup or [illegible]. There is no cure for gapes except by the handling of the chicks, which is a very laborious operation when a large number are attacked, but which is not difficult with a small number.

Gapes is the result of the choking of the windpipe with minute, thread like worms. How they get into the windpipe is something undecided. They are unknown in some sections of the country, and thrive wherever the conditions for their propagation exist only, though it is probable that the gapes may be carried from one place to another by the removal of the chicks affected, thereby planting the disease (for such it is called) on new locations. The chick gasps for breath, the worms preventing respiration, ending in death. If a feather is stripped and inserted in the windpipe, and then suddenly withdrawn after a sudden twist, the worms may be drawn out, and there are also various other modes of removing them.

The main point is to prevent the difficulty. A writer in The Mirror and Farmer commenting on the above says: It has long been claimed that gapes and earthworms thrive under the same conditions, which has led many to suppose that gapes are caused by earthworms, while others have gone so far as to claim that gapeworms are caused by lice. As the lice come from filth and so does the gapeworm, the conditions are the [illegible] for the farm. Preventive measures depend upon absolute cleanliness and avoidance of rich, damp soils. On old farms, where the chicks are kept on ground that has been occupied by fowls year after year, they will almost invariably have gapes. If the chicks are on new ground, that is very sandy, and easily leached by the rains, gapes seldom occur.

Removal of the residuum of the food after eating, board floors and dryness are the best preventives, but where the chicken yard has been plowed, so as to turn under the top soil, and the surface of the ground thoroughly sprinkled with lime, there will be but little danger from gapes. If all the chicks are affected, and the labor of drawing out the gape worms is too great, the next best remedy is to mix a teaspoonful of spirits of turpentine with a quart of corn meal, the meal slightly moistened, which should be fed to the chicks twice a day. It is a good remedy, but not a certain cure.

Beale, the well known English authority, suggests fumigating with carbolic acid as a most effective cure. He also advises placing the chicks in a box and dusting them well with fine lime, which gets into the throat and makes the birds cough, thus bringing out the worms. In both cases care must be taken not to kill the birds by suffocation, which is easily done if the treatment is continued too long.

The Improvement of Soils.

Soils are often greatly benefited by an admixture of different varieties, and nowhere is this more apparent than whenever it is practicable to supply an extremely sandy soil with a portion of clay from another field, and so a clay soil will be equally improved by a heavy dressing with sand. The trouble in such cases, however, is that the moving of soil in quantities sufficiently large to produce an appreciable effect is attended with too much cost to render it at all common, so that it can only come into use in isolated cases and to a limited extent. The continued cultivation of the soil can only be rendered profitable by supplying it seasonably with whatever it requires for plant food in lieu of what is yearly abstracted by the crops, and not infrequently a change in its texture will, to some extent, have much the same effect as the application of a fertilizer, with the additional advantage that it will remain a permanent improvement.

In many cases by doing a little yearly as time and opportunity permit, a farmer can permanently improve the character of a moderate area in this manner and without sensible feeling its cost. Especially where a garden plot needs it will such a practice be found of great benefit and can soon be made to result in a well balanced soil. On stiff soils the application of coal ashes, although practically destitute of any fertilizing properties, is often highly beneficial and furnishes a good method of disposing of them.

How and When to Irrigate.

We find the following advice in Field and Farm:

Do not commence irrigating too early in the spring or you will have the leaves on your trees all turning yellow. Wait until the weather and the soil commence to get dry, then begin. Be very careful, especially after a wet season, about irrigating after the fall frosts; do not water more than is absolutely necessary to keep the trees alive, for if they get an abundance of water the new growth pushes rapidly, and does not ripen up thoroughly at the approach of winter, and is consequently nipped back with the frost, which is very detrimental to the tree as well as your fruit crop the following season.

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IN LOVE'S HANDS.

A LEGEND OF PENSACOLA—BY MAURICE THOMPSON.

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CHAPTER IV.

Pauline found herself in the arms of her watchful guardian, the dona, who was praying and crying at the same time. They were [illegible] pressed backward by the recoil of the men when the French detachment struck them at full charge. There was a [illegible] of blows and a volley of [illegible] mingled with cries of rage and [illegible]. A man came reeling out of the [illegible] and fell at Pauline's feet, where he [illegible] for a moment, with the blood [illegible] from a wound in his [illegible], then fell face downward [illegible] in the street.

The [illegible] was a few mud daubed [illegible] the rudest form of dwelling [illegible] the colonists. The door [illegible] threshold on the level [illegible] interior dark room. Dona H[illegible] Pauline, put in time [illegible] by a [illegible] of the [illegible]. The [illegible] Champion had run his [illegible] close to the mainland, and now began [illegible] with broadsides at short range. The balls went bounding along the ground and tearing through the frail buildings with that peculiar suggestion of resistless energy so well remembered by every experienced soldier. The roof overhead was shattered. Down from a long, ragged, dirty rent fell a shower of boards and splinters.

"Holy Mary, save us!" prayed the dona, sinking upon her knees and lifting her clenched hands.

Pauline, strange to say, felt no fear. From early girlhood she had been in that [illegible] bewildered state which often comes upon one in the midst of overwhelming danger. She went to the doorway and looked out. The combatants, French and Spanish, were all mingled together, fighting hand to hand, without regard to [illegible] or order. Blows were falling thick and fast, swords clashed with swords, [illegible] thundered [illegible] and fell with such sounds as would, under ordinary circumstances, [illegible]. She looked on [illegible] fascination, feeling little of the true horror of the occasion. With the strange double power of the mind at such times she was noting every detail of the struggle before her, while at the same instant she remembered all the long series of events by which she had been led to take upon herself this life of incomparable excitement and danger. The vines and gardens of Provence, with the roses and the asters, the dear old days of love and joy, the sunshine, the music, the moonlight on the dusky orchards, the church bells and all the sweet incidents and accidents of home life [illegible] upon the field of her vision and shimmered before her, dreamlike and yet [illegible] of her [illegible] experiences.

Through the roar of cannon and the clangor of swords [illegible] the yelling of [illegible] Christmas [illegible] she heard the [illegible] of the [illegible] and the mad [illegible] songs of [illegible] beyond the Avignon. Sweet [illegible] Louis Doucet [illegible] the present [illegible] of his [illegible] kiss, a thousand [illegible] sentiment and of gentle romance [illegible] again. And yet there [illegible] in the [illegible] that slowly sank away into the earth [illegible] their dying [illegible]. Strange that the fragrance of the early autumn roses growing [illegible] in a neighboring plot should have impressed her senses at such a time, but the sweet breath came [illegible] passion and brought into her [illegible] its touch of pleasure despite the awful strain of what she was witnessing.

Louis Doucet and Capt. Cortes met face to face and crossed swords near the middle of the little street. The Spaniard knew [illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible] rival [illegible]. As for Doucet, [illegible] that it was before [illegible] heard a few [illegible] to him to [illegible] tenderness [illegible] was the [illegible] air of absence from France [illegible] for gentle [illegible] could not really [illegible] the more [illegible] quickly as it [illegible] sharp and clear [illegible] glared [illegible] hatred of [illegible] burning an [illegible] such a look [illegible].

[illegible] in every way. Cortes was [illegible], but Doucet appeared rather more compactly built than his adversary. Both were sufficiently [illegible] exertion to arouse their blood swift and their nerves [illegible].

No time was lost, the fight was desperate from the beginning, neither combatant [illegible] of anything but [illegible] and beating down the other. [illegible], however, discovered very soon that it was necessary to have a care for self defense as well as for attack. They fenced [illegible] and adroitly, neither giving an inch, utterly forgetful of what was going on around them, their whole souls focused, so to speak, in the one desire to kill and, by killing, to live.

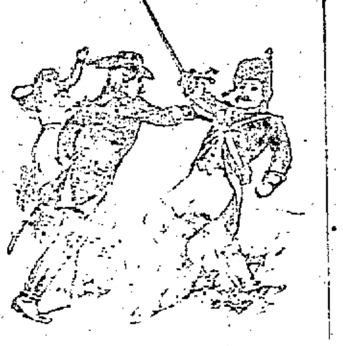
Cortes was aware that Pauline was near by and probably looking on. The thought in some way nerved him powerfully. She should not see Louis Doucet vanquish him; he would show her that a Spaniard for once was superior to a Frenchman.

Doucet had no such extra stimulus; but his was an iron frame, and his coolness and courage needed no aid when a Spaniard dared cross weapons with him. With the dexterity drawn from long practice and with the fierce fury of young tigers thirsting for each other's blood, they struggled back and forth and round and round, while their companions, fighting quite as madly, swept on down the street, leaving them to secure the already corpse cumbered and blood stained ground. In those days soldiers of the better class knew the use of the sword and were overproud of the knowledge. Under the excitement and exhilaration of a hand to hand combat the accomplished swordsman always feels that his strength is doubled; but the peculiar circumstances attending the struggle between Cortes and Doucet added immeasurably to this feeling. Each found the other an antagonist whose vigor and swiftness made every moment a crisis, and whose steadfast gaze caught in advance every motion of wrist or body. Cortes, in what may be safely called a sub-conscious way, recalled in the midst of the fight what he had said to Pauline about sacrificing life, and even his honor, to serve her. Strange that at the same time he could see, by indirect vision, just beyond Doucet a dead man lying on the sand in the road. The face was upturned and distorted, the arms outstretched. Like a dark shadow shot across his brain the thought: "Shall I soon be lying here in that condition?" It was not startling, it was more like an idle waft of suggestion, gone as soon as it came.

Both men became aware presently that the cannonading had ceased and that the rattle of musketry was no longer heard. A great calm had fallen after the storm—the battle was over and the Spanish, to the number of 1,300, had surrendered themselves prisoners of war.

One Spaniard, however, was not yet conquered; one Frenchman was still battling for victory.

CHAPTER V.



The Spaniard's blade found a bloody sheath.

Louis Doucet was the better swordsman, [illegible] came to the test of [illegible] steadfastness of attention. [illegible] been that the knowledge of Pauline's presence and the thoughts engendered by the possibility that she was witnessing the struggle somewhat unsettled the nerve of Cortes, or it may have been the persistence of the dead man lying there in the sand in the line of his vision, for he at last lost his guard and the quick point of Doucet's sword pierced his breast. He scarcely felt the wound, however, and quickly springing back he recovered himself and made a furious rush upon his antagonist.

It was at this moment that Doucet's eyes in some way caught a glimpse of Pauline's face as she stood in the low, dark doorway of the cabin. The glance lost him dear. With the celerity of light the Spaniard's blade found a bloody sheath.

Out from the doorway sprang the young girl, letting go a short wail and holding up her white arms, as she flung herself between the fighting men. The dona followed, calling upon the Virgin and laying hold on [illegible] with a desperate energy.

It was too late now to renew the fight, for the loss of blood was making the limbs of Cortes sink under him. He turned blind and fell upon the sand face [illegible] and motionless.

Pauline had but time to throw her arms about her lover and call him by name, when he, too, sank down with the blood spurting from his wound.

Bienville, accompanied by a number of officers and a squad of soldiers for body guard, came along the street a little later and found the two women nursing the heads of the fallen men. He halted and made some inquiries, then ordering a surgeon and some attendants to remain and examine further, he passed on, going to have a conference with the Compte de Champmeslin.

Dona Hortense begged the surgeon to order Doucet [illegible] taken to her house. She led the way, praying as she went.

Poor Pauline had fainted and was borne along in the arms of a stalwart soldier. It was a strange procession moving through the silent storm shattered town.

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It is recorded that Louis Doucet and Capt. Cortes [illegible] recovered, but Doucet was never afterward fit to be a soldier, [illegible] to a very old man. He and Pauline were married at Mobile by a priest of [illegible] Father Renaud, and soon afterward returned to France to [illegible] their home in Provence amid the scenes of their childhood and in the very house [illegible] by their [illegible]. The legend further says that their children numbered eleven, seven of which were sons, the others, presumably, were girls.

The subsequent career of Capt. Cortes is not certainly known, but in an old though not well authenticated chronicle preserved at Seville mention is made of an officer of that name who, "after valiant service in the Floridas and in many other countries wherein he followed the Holy Cross, was granted an estate in Mexico near by Vera Cruz, where he lived and died unmarried, always true [illegible] to the holy church, and it was the proceeds of his estate, bequeathed for the purpose, that built the Convent of the Sacred Heart."

Recently, while sojourning in Pensacola, I spent some golden April days, with [illegible] in my hand, trying to locate, as near as possible, the exact spot whereon Doucet and Cortes fought and fell. If ever you chance to visit that picturesque and charming little city by the gulf, it may please you to walk up the main street toward the site of the old fort on the hill. When you reach a rather narrow, flower fringed cross street about half way on your journey, turn into it to the right and go forward until you come to a small garden on the left. On the flank of this garden, or flower plot, you will see a low, home like, old fashioned cottage, over whose wide veranda climbs a rose vine of wonderful luxuriance heavy with masses of strangely fragrant roses.

Standing on the sidewalk nearly in front of this cottage, turn your face toward the bay and let your eyes seek and rest upon the tallest spire in sight. This done, let your gaze fall straight down until it reaches the ground some ten yards in front of you. That is the spot. Near by is a mulberry tree, a little beyond stands a clump of oleander with a hedge of spires and crape myrtle straggling away from it. You will feel the breeze from the buccaneer islands blowing over you, a mockingbird will sing in the moss hung live oak yonder, the bay will glimmer and toss its foaming waves, and over all will hang a sky as blue and pure as that of Provence itself.

One hundred and seventy years may not be a large part of the past, but certainly large enough to have compassed the growth of the greatest nation of the earth. If in telling this story I have preserved one incident of that history, surely the telling has not been in vain. Such bits of romance serve to show us how far our civilization is removed from that which molded the lives and directed the loves of those whose fortunes I have found it a pleasure to record.

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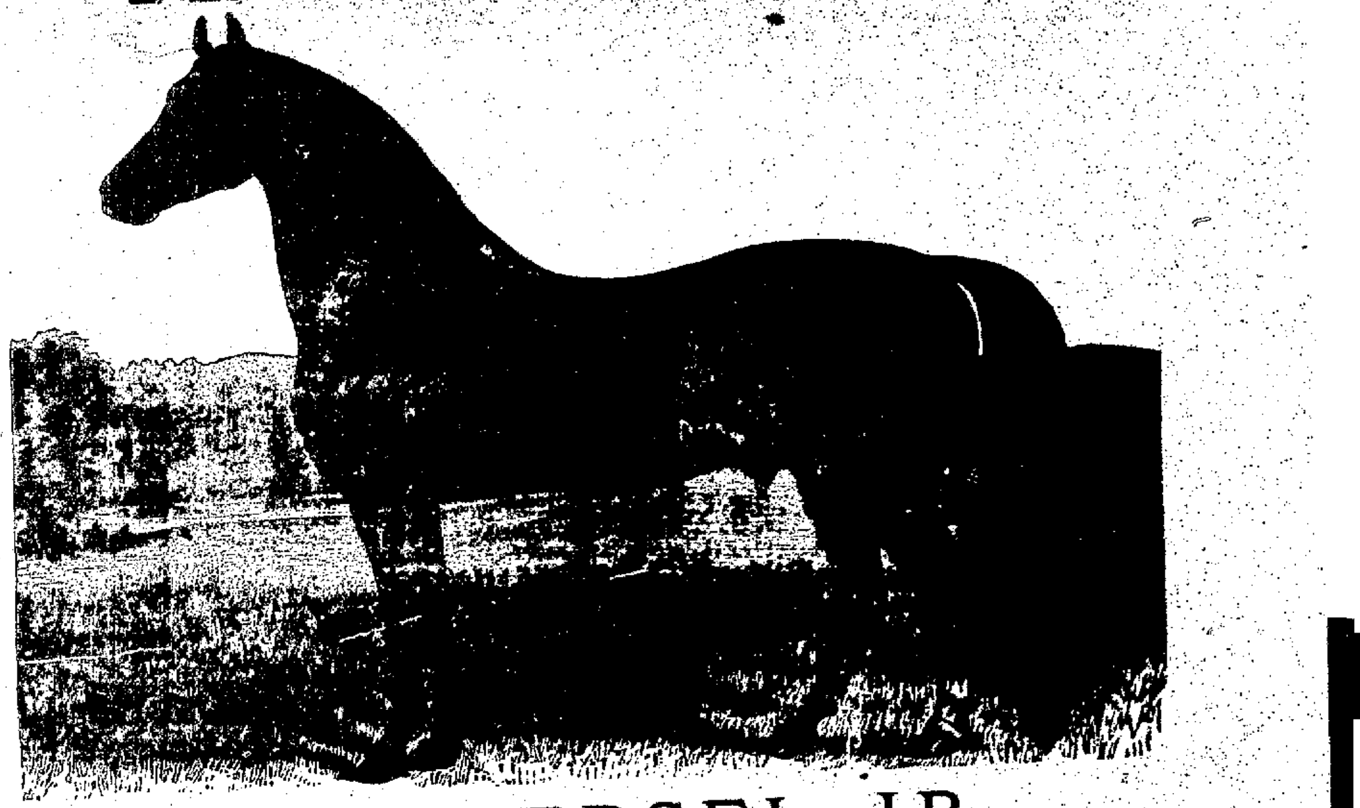

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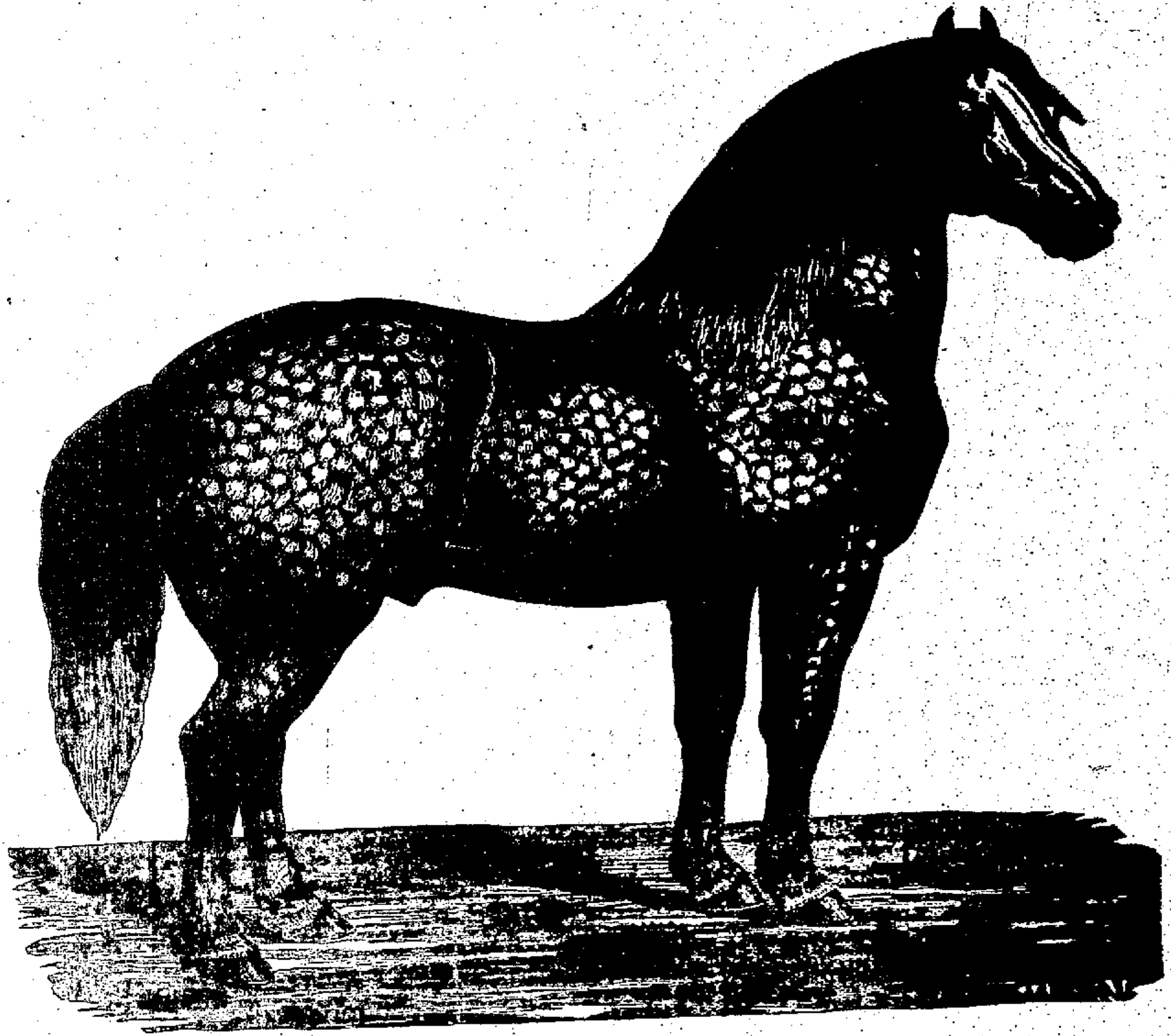

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8:30, a. m.—Day Express, daily except Sunday, for Sunbury, Harrisburg, and intermediate stations, Lancaster, Philadelphia, New York, Baltimore and Washington, arriving at Philadelphia 6:50 p. m., New York 9:35 p. m., Baltimore 6:45 p. m., Washington, 8:15 p. m. Pullman Parlor car through from Williamsport to Philadelphia.

8:55 p. m.—Erie Mail daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, Lancaster Phila., New York, Baltimore and Washington, arriving at Philadelphia 6:50 a. m., New York 9:30 a. m., Baltimore 6:45 a. m., Washington 7:30 a. m. Through Pullman sleeping cars are run on this train from Erie to Philadelphia and from Williamsport to Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington and through passenger cars from Erie to Philadelphia and from Williamsport to Baltimore.

WESTWARD.

10:30 a. m.—Erie Mail daily for Erie and all intermediate stations with through Pullman Palace car and through passenger coaches to Erie.

7:13 p. m.—Niagara Express, daily except Sunday for Kane and intermediate stations with through passenger coaches to Kane.

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Niagara Express leaves Washington 8:10 a. m. Philadelphia 8:50 a. m., Baltimore 9:00 a. m. daily except Sunday, arriving at Emporium Junction 7:13 p. m. with through Pullman Parlor car from Philadelphia to Williamsport.

Erie Mail leaves New York 8:00 p. m., Philadelphia 11:25 p. m., Washington 10:00 p. m., Baltimore 11:20 p. m., daily arriving at Emporium Junc. 10:30 a. m., with through Pullman Palace sleeping cars from Philadelphia to Erie and from Washington and Baltimore to Williamsport and through passenger coaches from Philadelphia to Erie.

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WESTWARD.				EASTWARD.		
p.m.	a.m.	a.m.	STATIONS	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.
6 20	11 30	9 05	ar..Bradford..lv.	7 [illegible]	[illegible]	5 30
5 45	11 15	8 30	..Kinzua Jn...	[illegible]	[illegible]	5 45
5 17	11 05	8 [illegible]	...New City...	[illegible]	[illegible]	5 54
4 50	10 39	7 54	...Rixford...	[illegible]	[illegible]	6 15
4 45	10 34	7 49	Duke Centre..	[illegible]	[illegible]	6 20
4 25	10 15	7 30	...Eldred...	[illegible]	[illegible]	6 40
			B. E. & C. R. R.			
3 46	9 [illegible]	......	...Ceres...	[illegible]	[illegible]	......
3 32	9 17	......	Little Genesee	[illegible]	......	......
3 20	9 05	......	Lv..Bolivar..Ar	[illegible]	[illegible]	......
2 53	8 38	......	...Allentown...	[illegible]	[illegible]	......
2 15	8 00	......	lv Wellsville ar	[illegible]	[illegible]	......
p.m.	a.m.	a.m.		a.m.	p.m.	
p.m.	p.m.	a.m.		a.m.	a.m.	p.m.
6 23	3 [illegible]	9 [illegible]	ar..Bradford..lv	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
5 45	2 45	8 [illegible]	Kinzua Junct'n	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
5 [illegible]	2 [illegible]	8 [illegible]	...Alton...	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
5 31	2 31	8 16	...Davis...	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
5 [illegible]	2 [illegible]	8 [illegible]	...Simpson...	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
5 11	2 11	7 [illegible]	...Ormsby...	[illegible]	[illegible]	6 19
4 40	1 [illegible]	7 [illegible]	...Smethport...	[illegible]	[illegible]	6 42
4 43	1 43	7 [illegible]	..Mt. Jewett...	[illegible]	[illegible]	6 47
4 00	1 00	6 44	...Kane...	[illegible]	[illegible]	7 [illegible]

JNO. C. McKENNA, Superintendent.

COUDERSPORT & PORT ALLEGANY Railroad Time Table, takes effect Monday, June 20, 1887.

AR. EASTW'D.			STATIONS.	L'V WESTW'D		
A.M.	P.M.	P.M.		A.M.		P.M.
11.07	[illegible]	1.27	...Coudersport...	[illegible]	1.12	5.00
11.02	[illegible]	1.14	...Hammonds...	[illegible]	[illegible]	5.04
10.56	[illegible]	1.06	...Fish Basket...	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
10.51	8.22	[illegible]	...Olmsted...	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
10.46	8.17	[illegible]	...Nelsons...	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
10.38	8.09	[illegible]	...Knowlton...	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
10.31	[illegible]	12.45	...Roulette...	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
10.[illegible]	7.[illegible]	12.[illegible]	Pomeroy Bridge	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
10.16	7.51	12.31	...Burtville...	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
10.06	7.45	12.28	...Coleman...	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
10.00	7.40	12.17	...Port Allegany...	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

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Time Table in effect Oct. 20, 1889.

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BUFFALO EXPRESS.........9:18 A. M.
BUFFALO MAIL.........[illegible] P. M.

For Clermont, Johnsonburg, and points south:

CLERMONT MAIL.........7:13 A. M.
CLERMONT ACCOMMOD'N.........[illegible] P. M.

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